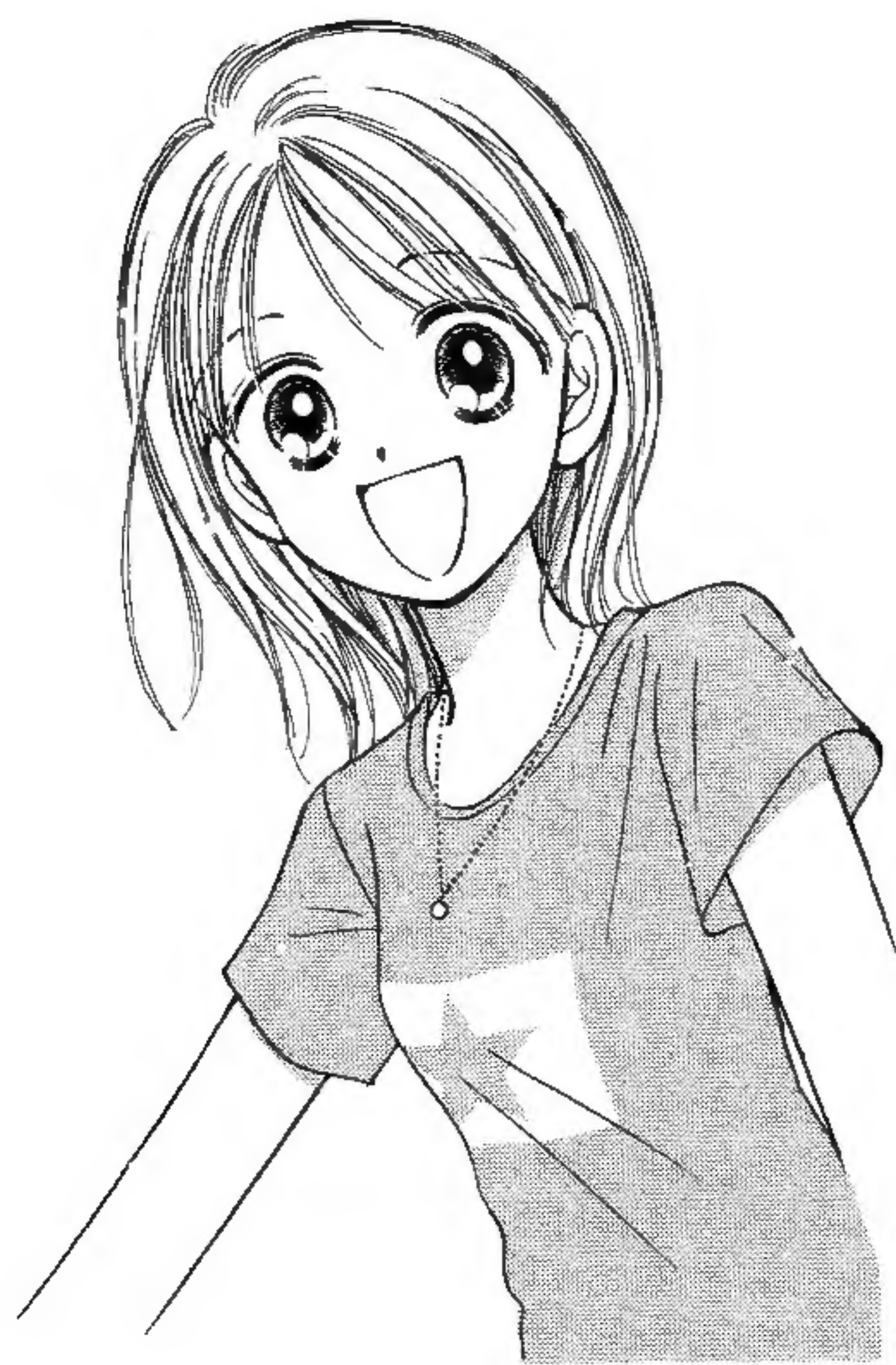


# 水沢

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# 神様の かみさまアワード

—I want to protect you—



When nothing was going right,

And I was all alone, before my eyes

This Noa's Ark appeared along  
with the music of my destiny.

If I take this boat, could it be

that I'll be saved?





# Kouta-kun and Take-kun ③

After their live show ended,  
we decided to go to a Chi-  
nese restaurant that they like.

When we arrived at the res-  
taurant, three girls who are  
Moya fans (and regulars of  
the restaurant) were there.  
We had a late dinner having  
lively conversation all toge-  
ther.

Kouta-kun and Take-kun said:  
"Because of my work schedule,  
I only sleep 3 hours a night."  
"Well, I sleep 10 hours a night."  
"I take two naps a day."  
"Ahh, I want to make it to the  
Big time."

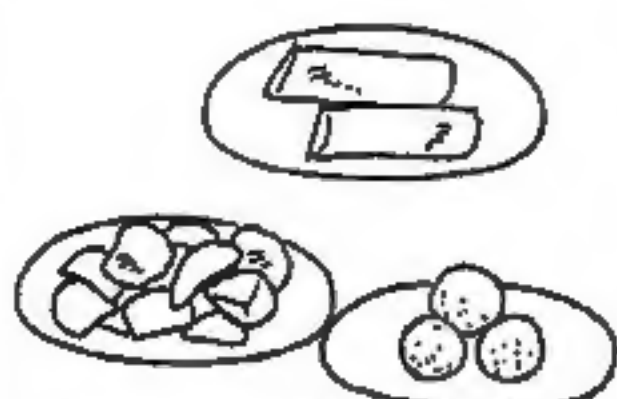
Meanwhile, nearby, there were  
some girls smiling saying "Do  
your Best!" while patting their  
shoulder.

Somehow, I thought "Ah, this  
is nice, this atmosphere!"

They've been able to really fo-  
cus on their dream, and their  
dreams are really big, and they  
have people that want to cheer  
them on.

The Chinese food that we all  
ate together was good.

It was a strangely fun night in  
Shibuya.

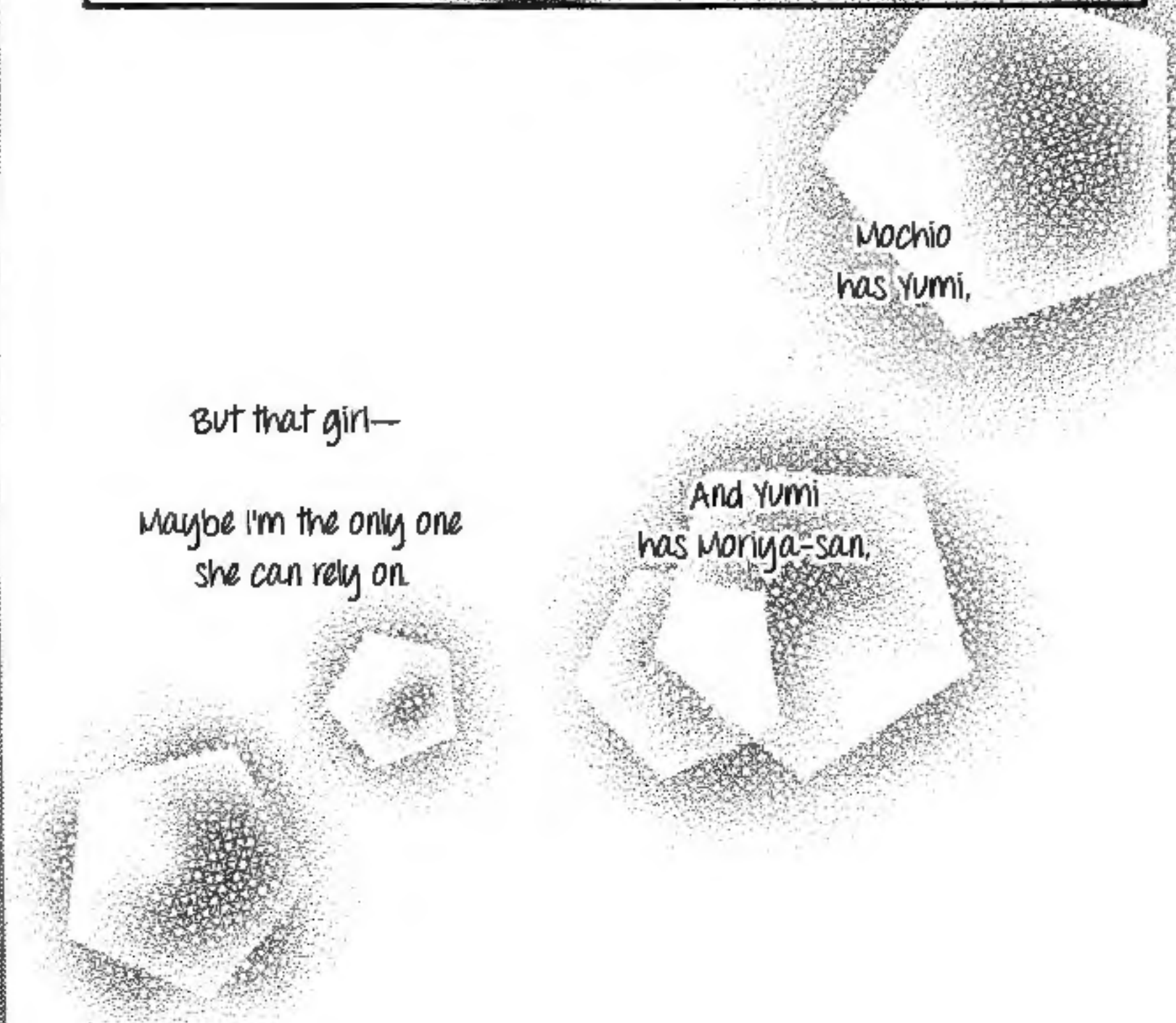


Chinese food is suited for  
eating in a group!

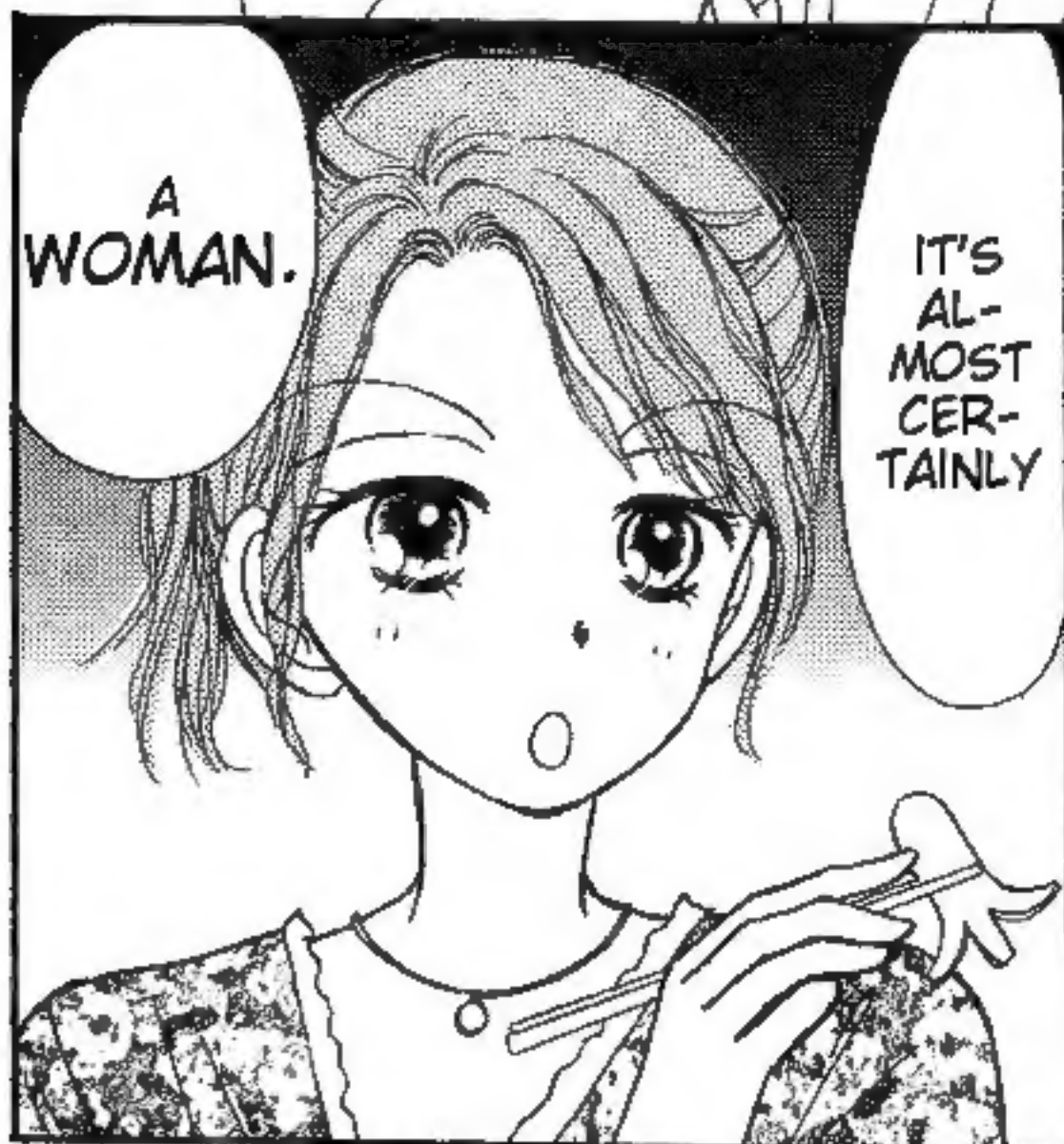
she looked at me  
with those pleading eyes.



But that girl—  
maybe I'm the only one  
she can rely on.









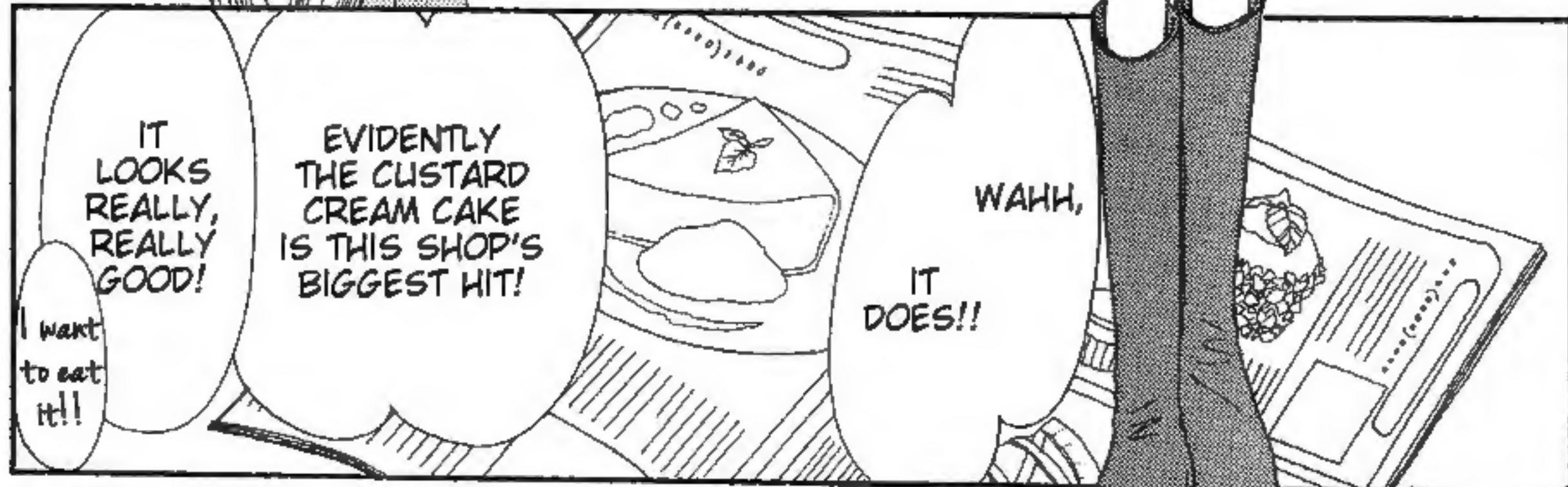
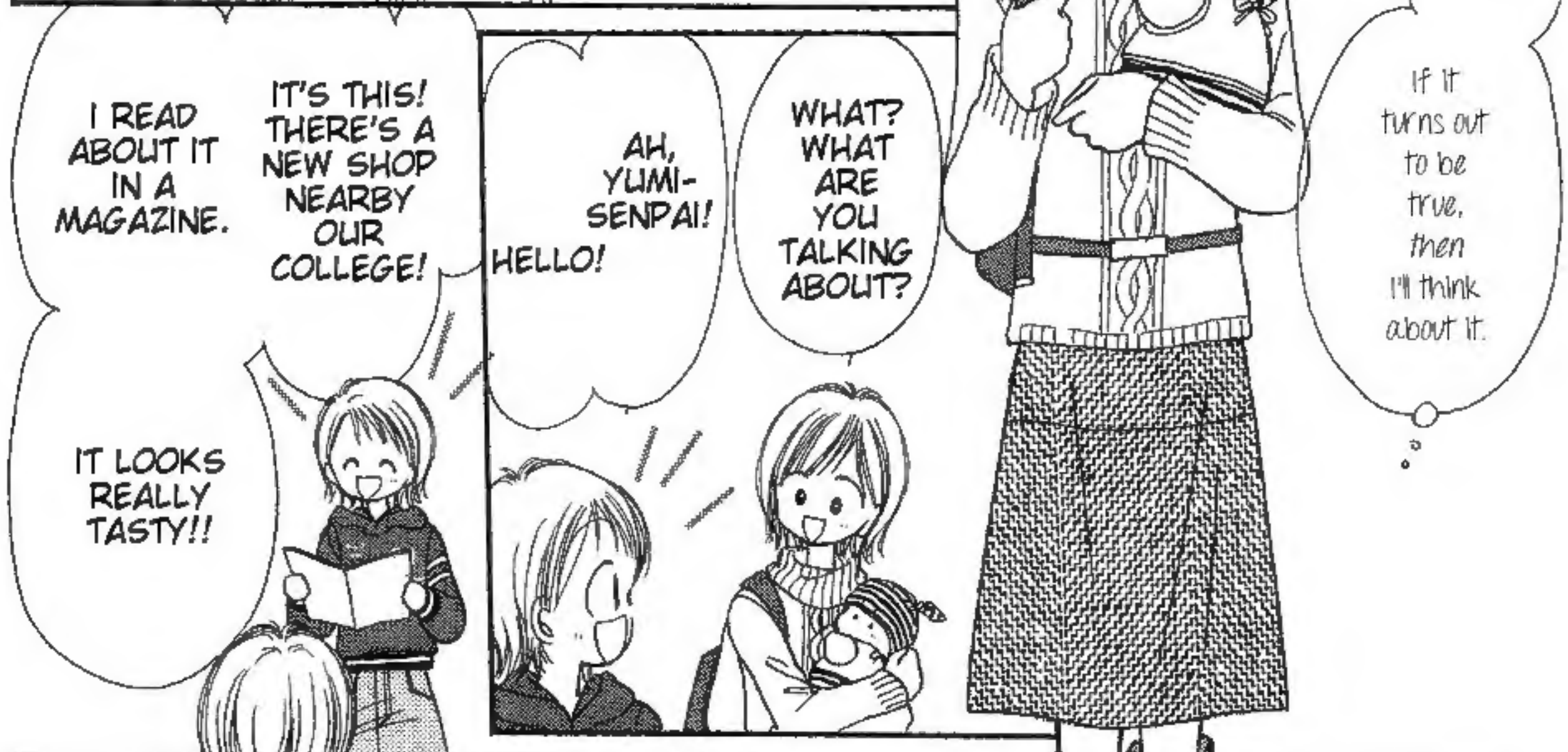


...what

would i do\_?









## Kouta-kun and Take-kun ④

Spring, 2002

I got a call from my friend, saying, "Moya Clinic won a Blood Donation Song Contest on the radio, and they'll be participating in the finals in Shinjuku!"

I got in touch with Misawa-san right away, and we decided, "Let's go and cheer them on!"

The finals took place at Shinjuku Station Square halfway through an especially warm March, and the cherry blossoms were in bloom.

Moya Clinic couldn't quite win, but they were among the eight selected out of hundreds of applicants, which is amazing.

Although Misawa-san and I said, "Moya Clinic won, right?!"

I think there must definitely be some connection between us, since their names showed up by chance in my manga. I will always be cheering those two on.

Go, Moya Clinic!!  
Go,  
Kouta-kun and Take-kun!!



A fan for cheering.

I've thought of making one.



Kou-chan and I haven't gone out shopping or for tea or anything even once...

Come to think of it, since Tsu-kun was born...







If I can just  
get through this

In this city  
where

my voice  
rings out

WANT TO  
GET A LOT  
OF DIFFERENT  
PEOPLES'  
REACTIONS,  
YOU KNOW?

YEAH  
I JUST ...

OKAY,  
SEE  
YOU  
LATER.

Since  
then,

into  
the  
universe

and  
soak

It'll rise  
into  
the  
atmosphere

I decided I wanted  
to try to  
contact her,

Noa hasn't  
come...

But I realized  
I didn't even  
know her cell  
phone number...

really okay  
like this?

Even if  
we're far  
apart

Even if  
we're  
far,





Did L

CLAP

CLAP

CLAP

CLAP

THANK  
YOU

VERY  
MUCH.

...miss  
my chance  
to step onto  
the Ark?

So that  
it will  
reach  
you

I'd  
finally  
found a  
girl

who  
appreciated  
me, but...

So that  
my voice

will  
reach  
you

MOCHIO-KUN,  
YOU HAVE  
TALENT!!



IT'S  
VERY  
MELODIOUS,  
AND...

CALLED  
"MY  
VOICE."

BY A  
GROUP  
CALLED  
"MOYA  
CLINC,"

THAT  
WAS  
A  
SONG

UM,



Hey-





IT'S NOT  
GOOD TO  
BE OUT  
SO LATE  
AT NIGHT  
WITH A  
BABY.

WELL, THE  
SITUATION  
IS  
DIFFERENT  
NOW.

YOU  
ALWAYS  
USED TO  
BIG ME  
TO COME.

WHY  
NOT?



PLEASE  
DON'T  
DO  
THIS  
ANY-  
MORE.

BUT  
STILL

I MADE  
SURE  
HE'D  
BE NICE  
AND  
WARM.

HE'S  
FINE  
DOING  
SOME-  
THING  
LIKE  
THIS  
ONCE IN  
AWHILE.

IT'S  
FINE!



WHY  
DID YOU  
COME?

DON'T  
SURPRISE  
ME LIKE  
THAT!

DEET



I'LL  
WORRY

AND I'LL  
BE REALLY  
TOUGH IF  
ONE OF  
YOU  
CATCHES  
A COLD



PLEASE  
DON'T  
FOLLOW TO ME...

YOU-  
DON'T  
FOLLOW

OKAY



KAMI-SAMA NO ORGEL ②



AND WHEN YOU WATCH A VIDEO, PUT IT BACK IN THE CASE PROPERLY!!

PLEASE DON'T LEAVE THE DRAWERS OPEN!! ALSO,

AGGH, GEEZ!

I'M TELLING YOU BECAUSE YOU OBVIOUSLY DON'T ALREADY KNOW!!

PLEASE. I KNOW ALREADY, SO WOULD YOU BE QUIET?

BABY BOOK



KOU-CHAN!!

in fact,

it just made me more uneasy...

DIDN'T I TELL YOU TO PUT THEM IN THE LAUNDRY BASKET?!

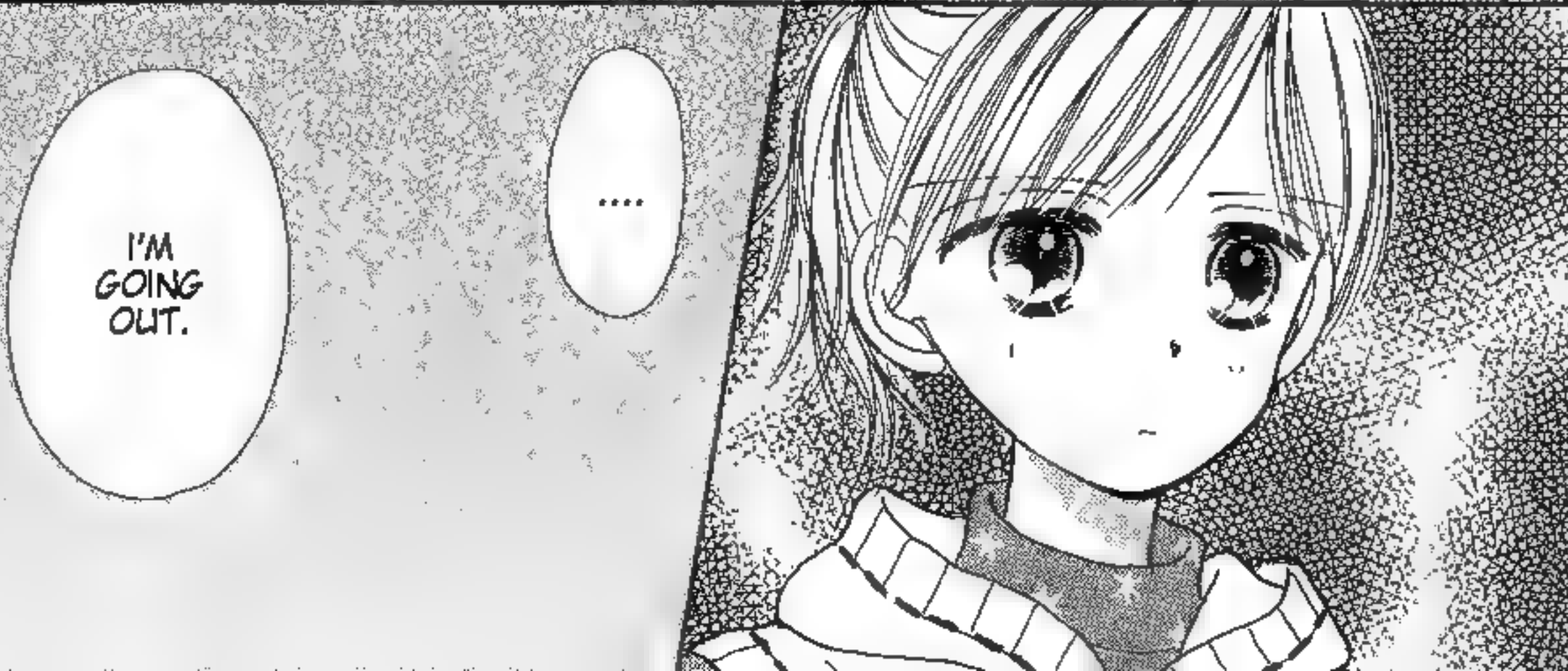
YOU LEFT YOUR DIRTY SOCKS LYING AROUND AGAIN!!



AND THERE'S NOT MUCH TIME LEFT UNTIL THE NEXT COMPETITION.

THERE'S NO WAY I CAN WRITE MUSIC LIKE THIS.

AGGGH!



I'M GOING OUT.

....





Why am I so annoyed?

Ahh, geez, I hate this.

This lifestyle

This is no good,

SLAM



I'M TAKING TSUKIKUN SHOPPING WITH ME!!

HOW ABOUT THAT?!



If I'd married Moriga-senpai,

Let's buy some. Diapers are on sale.

Ah

He's always saying such selfish things.

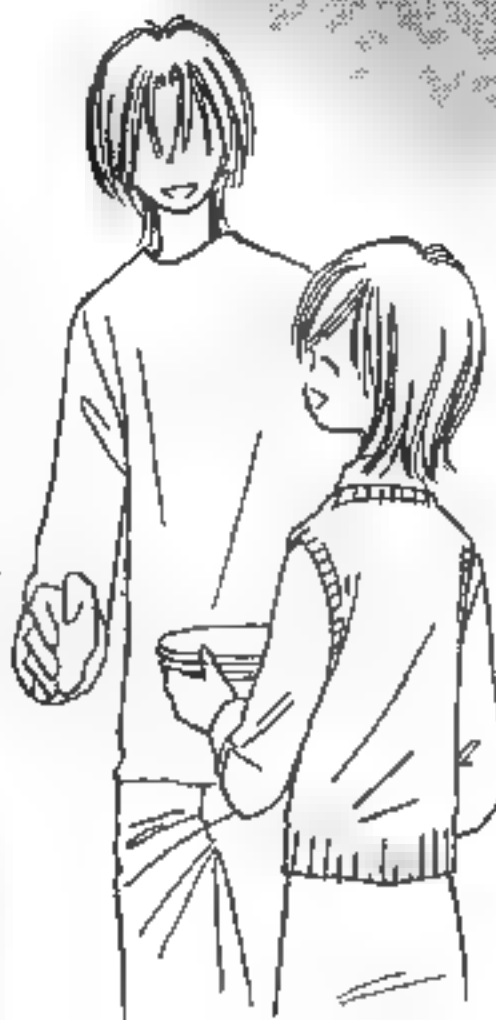
But Kou-chan is in the wrong.



YUMI-CHAN!!

And have a peaceful lifestyle.

We'd love one another



I'm sure, wouldn't be all annoyed like this.





AWW,  
HE'S SO  
CUTE  
AND  
PLUMP.

SO THIS  
IS  
TSUBASA-  
KUN?

POKE

IT'S  
BEEN  
ABOUT  
FIVE  
MONTHS,  
RIGHT?

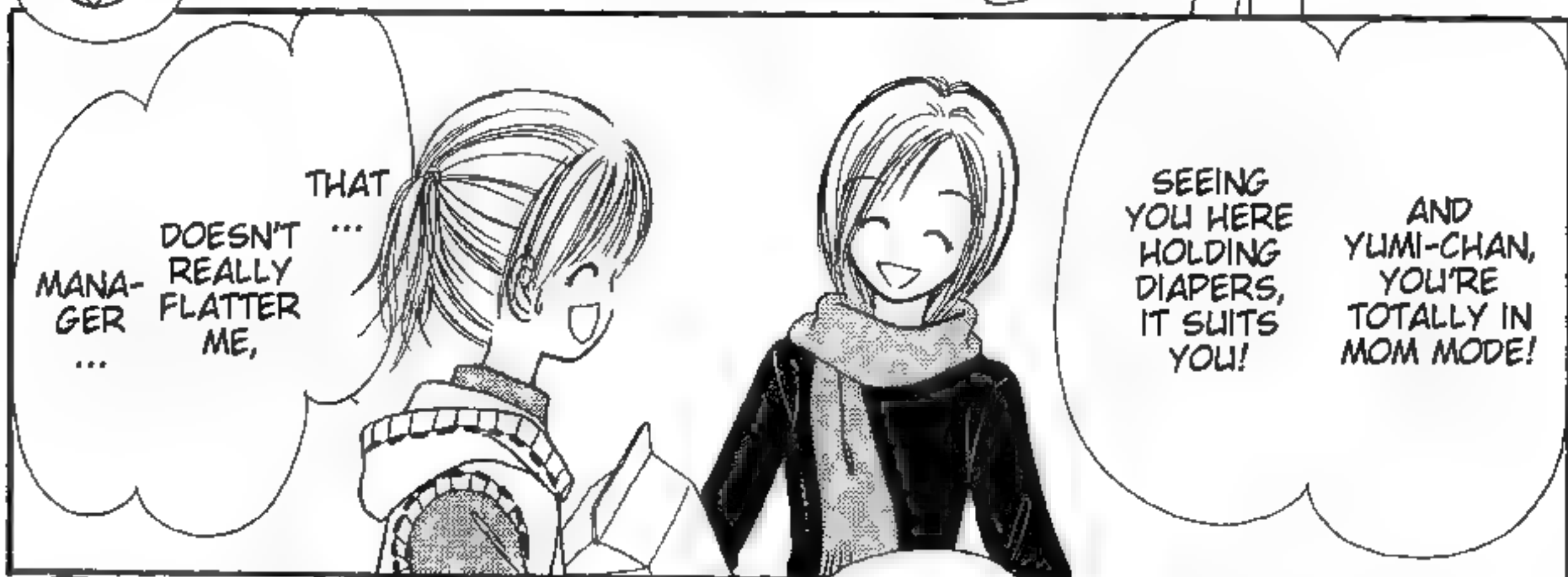
YOU  
SEEM  
TO BE  
DOING  
WELL!

WAHH,  
LONG  
TIME  
NO  
SEE!

MANA-  
GER!

YEAH,  
HE'S A  
LITTLE  
CHUBBY.

HIS  
CHEEKS  
JUST  
MAKE ME  
WANT TO  
POKE  
THEM.



MANA-  
GER  
...

DOESN'T  
REALLY  
FLATTER  
ME,

THAT  
...

SEEING  
YOU HERE  
HOLDING  
DIAPERS,  
IT SUITS  
YOU!

AND  
YUMI-CHAN,  
YOU'RE  
TOTALLY IN  
MOM MODE!



HUH  
...?

WHAT  
DO YOU  
THINK  
ABOUT  
COMING  
BACK  
TO  
WORK  
SOON?

I'M GLAD  
I SAW YOU  
TODAY.  
I'VE BEEN  
MEANING  
TO ASK YOU,

HAHA,  
OKAY.

SORRY.



Did I

have that part  
of my world, too?

Somehow it  
had completely  
gone out  
of my head.

I see...

HOW  
ABOUT IT?  
EVEN JUST  
ONCE A  
WEEK TO  
START.

AND  
IT'S  
BEEN  
ROUGH  
WITHOUT  
MORE  
HELP.

IT'S THE  
END OF  
THE YEAR,  
AFTER  
ALL,

My existence  
is solely  
housework  
and child-  
raising.

The way  
things are  
now,

I'm just  
cycling  
between  
school and  
home.

I want  
to do  
it...

A part-time  
job...



I CAN  
WAIT  
WHILE  
YOU  
CALL.

REAL-  
LY?!  
THEN  
WILL  
YOU  
PLEASE  
ASK  
HER?

OKAY  
!!

IF IT'S  
JUST ONCE  
A WEEK,  
SHE MAY  
BE WILLING  
TO WATCH  
TSUKU-KUN.

I'LL  
ASK  
MY  
MOM!!

BUT  
WITH  
TSUKU-  
KUN...

THANK  
YOU  
VERY  
MUCH!

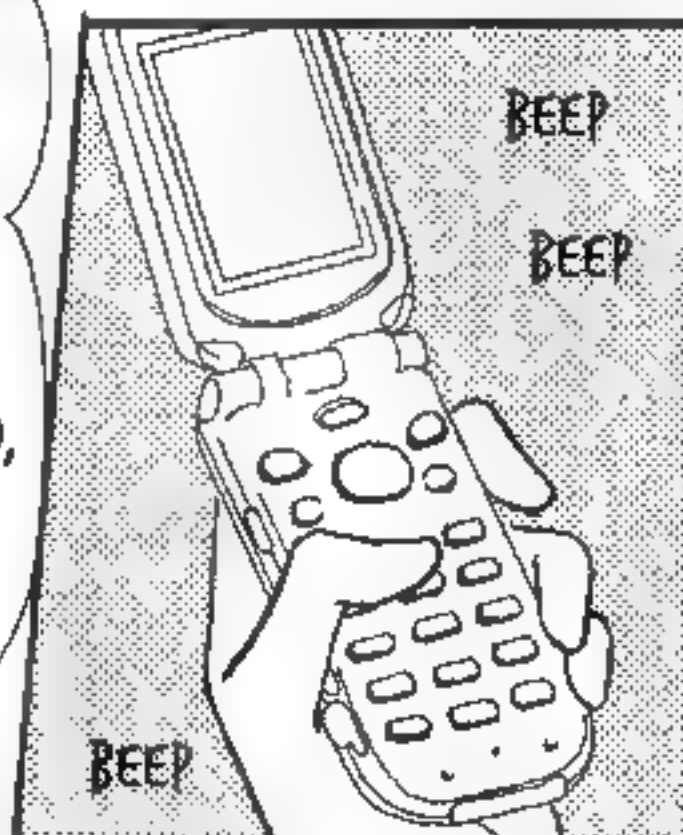


AH,

HELLO,

MOM?

IT'S  
YUMI  
...



AH,

BUT  
...!!



"Kami-sama no Onga!" always has various songs as its subtitles, but each time, some kind of food appears that makes a certain point too (Except for chapter 1)

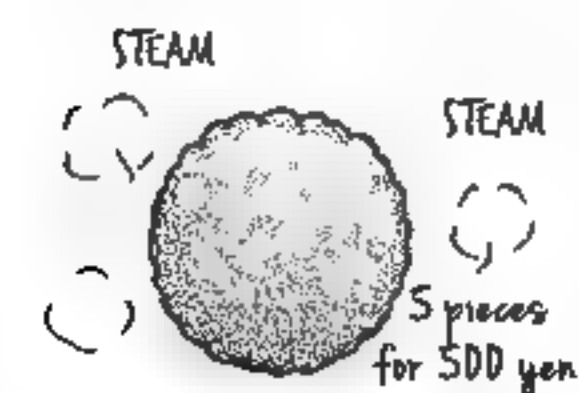
In volume 2, they are

- Satohya's meatballs
- Ketchup Omurice
- Custard Cream Cake
- Volcano Croquette

Food is absolutely important to the themes of "family" and "lifestyle" I thought this, but I also just love to eat. So I bet that's another big reason.

If I had much, much more free time, I'd really like to walk around to different shops and eat.

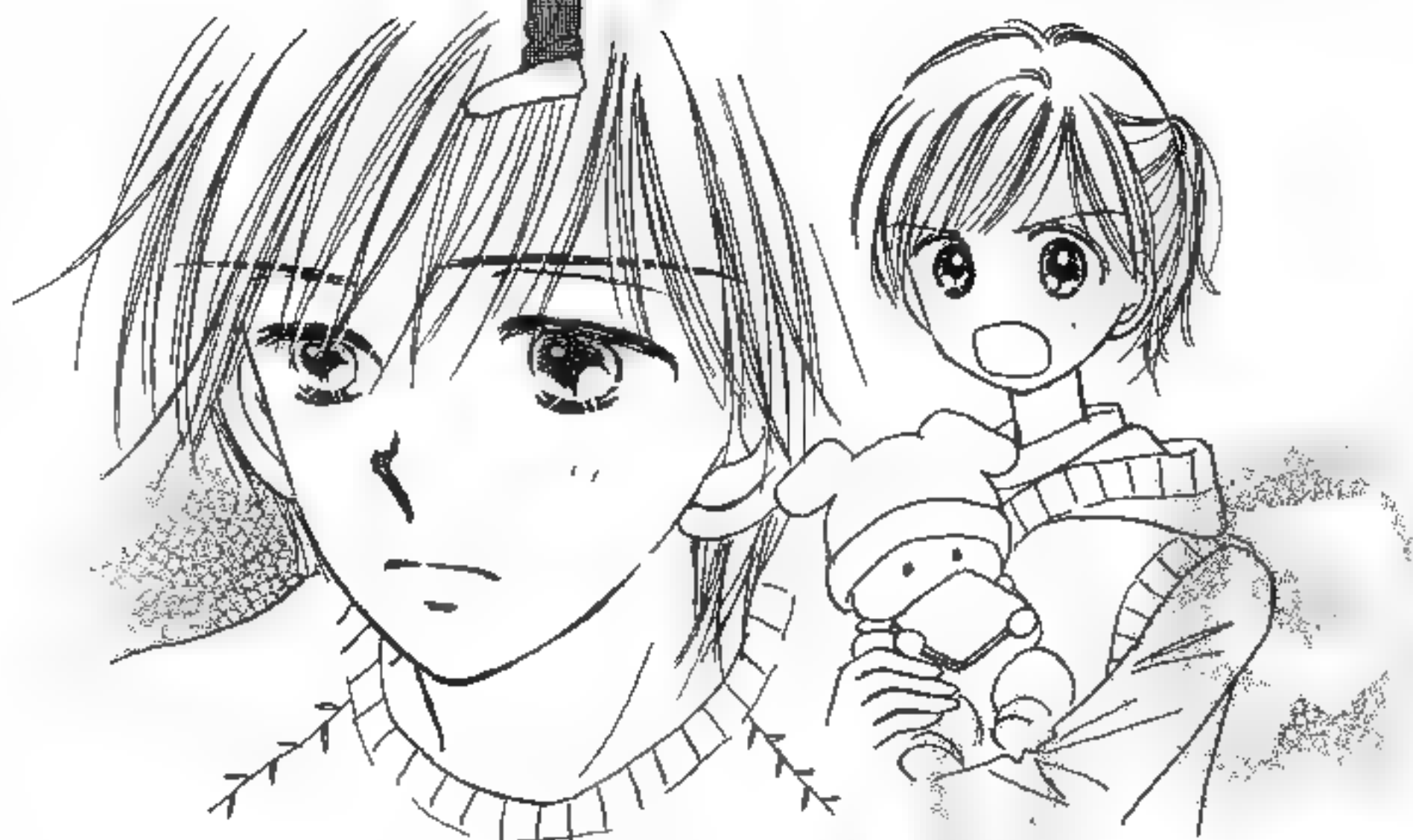
The model for "Satohya's meatballs" which appear in volume 2 is a famous butcher shop in my neighborhood. The line to buy their famous meatballs is always incredible.



They're all perfectly round and with plenty of volume!

There are people who eat them piping hot while walking.

They're good ♪







AND WITH A CHILD

YOU'RE MARRIED ALREADY, RIGHT?

WORRY-  
ING  
ON MY OWN,  
BUT  
...

AND I  
KNOW  
THAT I'M  
JUST

I KNOW...

IT'S NOT YUMI'S  
FAULT...



I'M  
HOME!  
♪

THERE'S  
NO  
CHOICE  
BUT  
TO  
BREAK  
UP,  
RIGHT?!

JUST  
WHAT  
THE  
HECK  
SHOULD  
I DO?!

AGGH,  
ENOUGH!

IT MIGHT  
BE PRETTY  
TUGH  
FOR YOU  
TO DEBUT.



HEHE!  
TEE  
HEE!

IF YOU  
WANT  
TO  
KNOW  
WHY--

WEL-  
COME  
HOME.  
AH  
...

WHAT?  
YOU'RE  
IN A  
GOOD  
MOOD,  
HUH?





REJOIN  
SOCIETY?



TA-  
DAA!!  
♪

IT'S BEEN  
DECIDED  
THAT I  
WILL ONCE  
AGAIN  
REJOIN  
SOCIETY!!

WHAT?

FOR NOW,  
IT'LL  
JUST BE  
ONCE A  
WEEK ON  
SATURDAYS,  
THOUGH.

I'M  
GOING  
TO  
RESTART  
MY  
PART-  
TIME  
JOB  
NEXT  
WEEK!!



I'M  
GONNA  
GIVE  
IT MY  
VERY  
BEST!

AHHH!  
I'M  
SOOO  
EXCITED!!



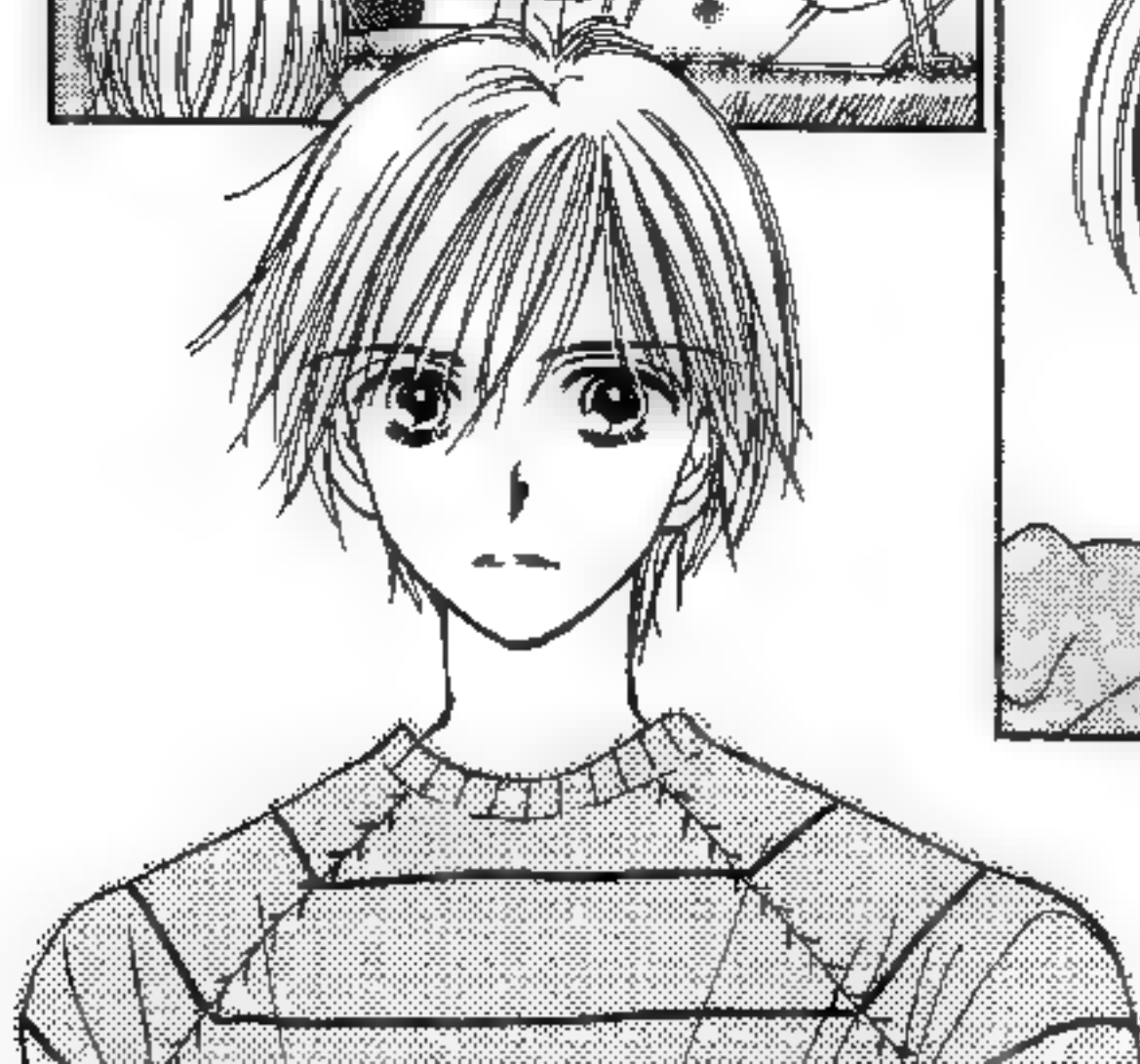
THESE  
DAYS,  
I'M REALLY  
DEEPLY  
THANKFUL  
FOR THEM,  
NOW THAT  
I HAVE A  
CHILD  
MYSELF.

THANK  
GOOD-  
NESS  
FOR  
PARENTS!

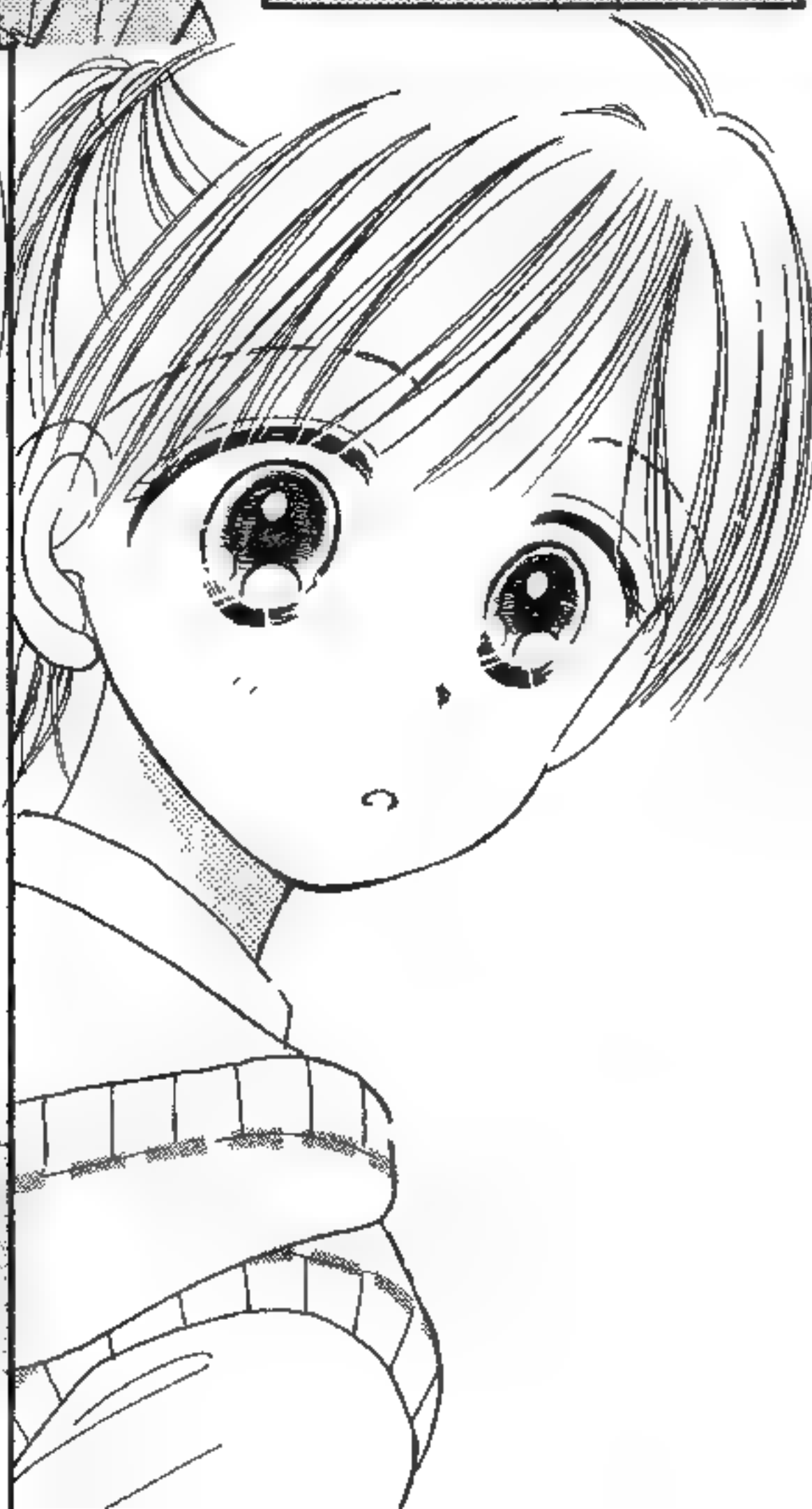
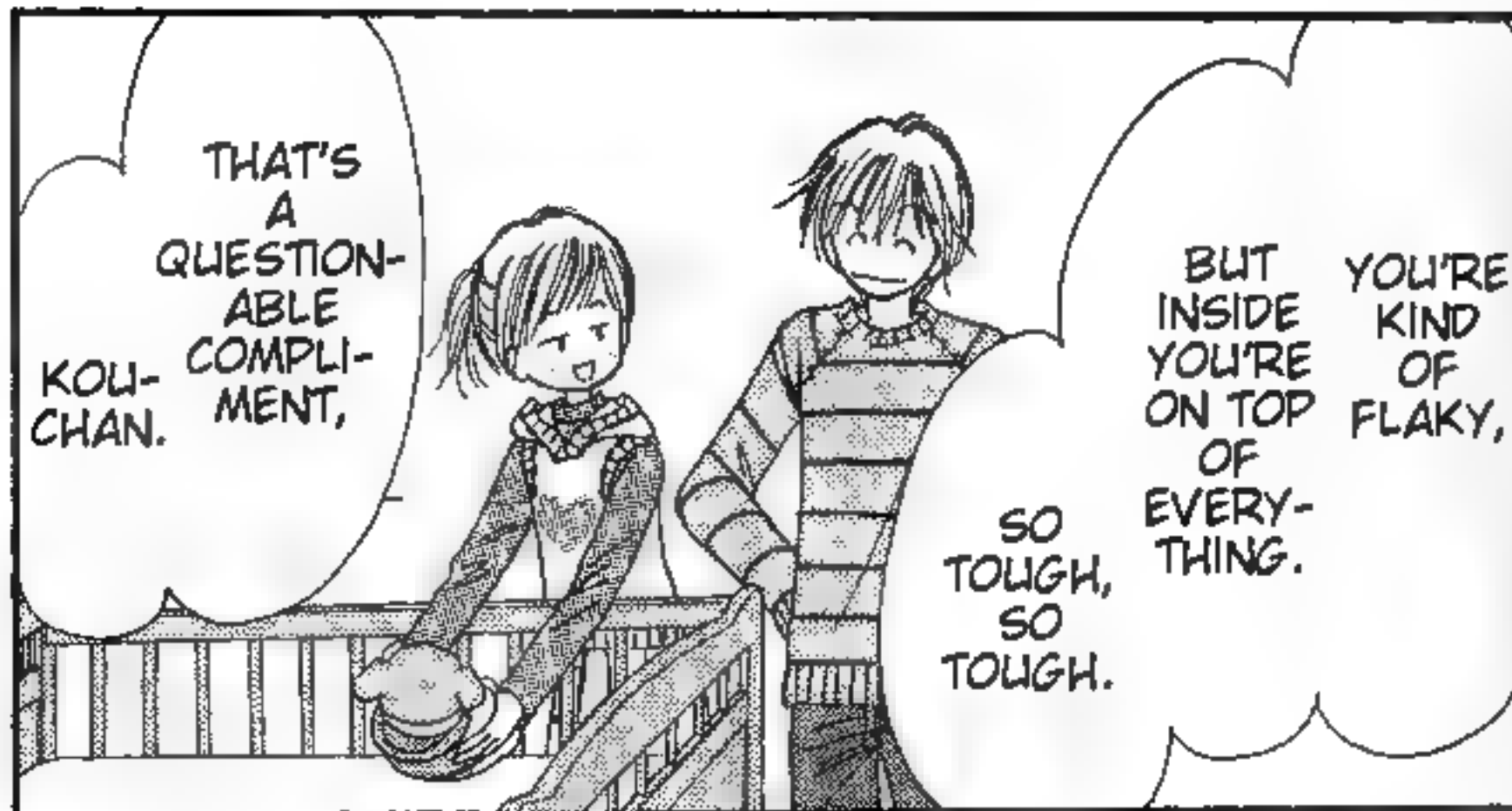
MY MOM  
IS GOING  
TO COME  
HERE TO  
WATCH  
HIM.

WHAT  
ABOUT  
MOCHIO?

I have a  
part-time  
job, too.









CAKE  
?!

AT  
A  
SIDEWALK  
CAFE  
THAT  
JUST  
OPENED!!

I  
WANT  
CUSTARD  
CREAM  
CAKE!!

IN  
THAT  
CASE,

R-  
...

I'VE  
REALLY  
BEEN  
WANTING  
TO  
GO  
THERE!!

IT'S  
FINE!!  
THAT'S  
WHAT  
I  
WANT!!

YOU'D  
GO  
ALL-  
OUT  
...

I  
SAID  
IT  
WAS  
MY  
TREAT,  
SO I'D  
HAVE  
THOUGHT

WHAT  
?

REALLY  
...?

—with the magic  
of sweet.

sweet cake

YAAAY!  
♡

The  
custard  
one or  
whatever

IT  
SOUNDS  
GOOD,  
SO I  
GUESS  
I'LL  
HAVE  
SOME  
TOO.

IF  
THAT'S  
WHAT  
YOU  
WANT,  
YUMI.

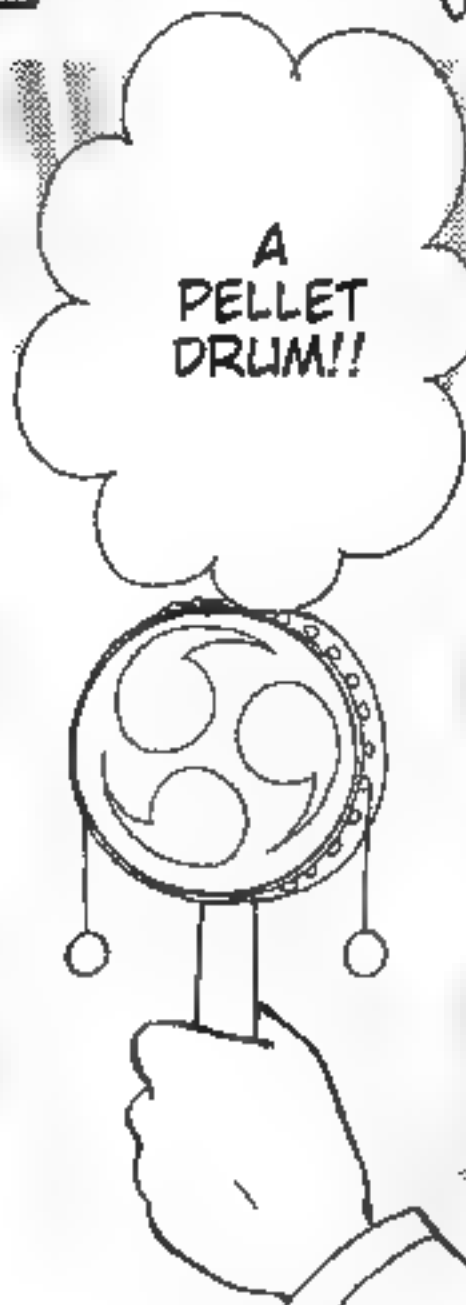
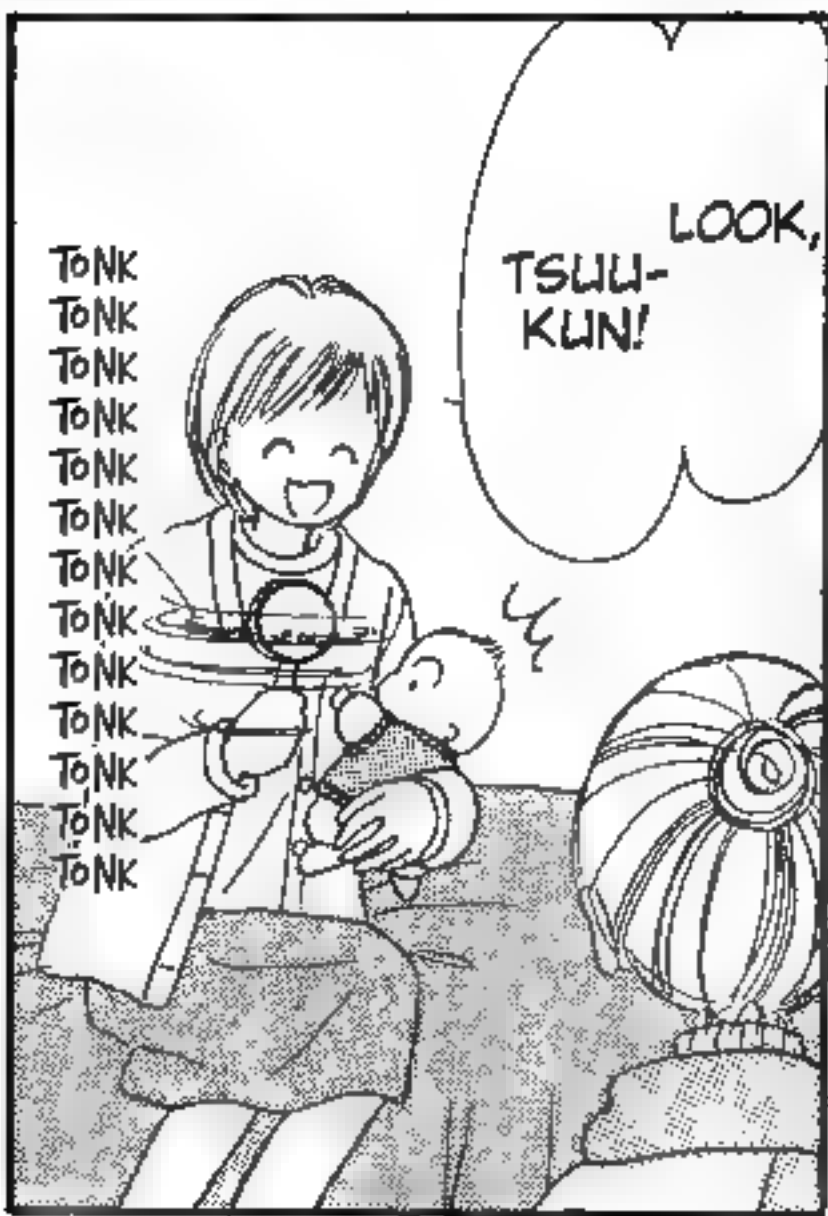
ALL  
RIGHT.

Between  
Kou-chan  
and me...

Maybe  
a sweet  
feeling  
will

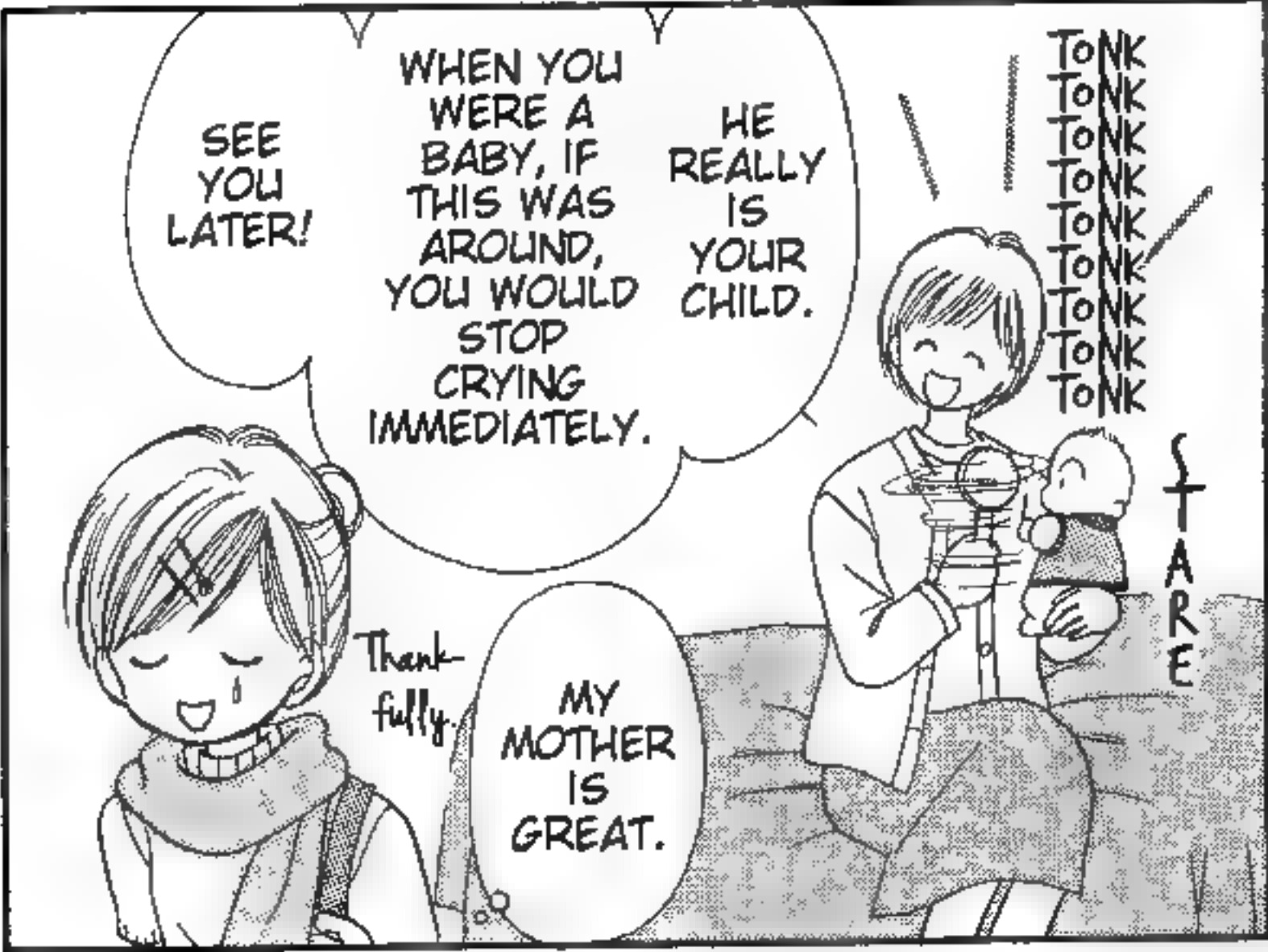
come  
back







KAMI-SAMA NO ORGEL ②



Morning Tea  
LIVING





AHHH,

I  
WORKED  
HARD

TODAY  
!!

Yay!!

YUMMY  
CUSTARD  
CREAM  
CAKE!!

Welcome!

NO  
PROBLEM.

I'LL  
SHOW  
YOU TO  
YOUR  
TABLE.

WAAH,  
HOW  
NICE!

THAT'S  
GREAT!

THEN  
WOULD YOU  
LIKE TO  
MAKE IT  
A SET,  
WITH THIS  
MATCHING  
MINI  
TOWEL?

IF  
THIS  
IS  
A  
GIFT,

YES!

WOULD  
YOU  
HELP  
ME  
WITH  
SOME  
WRAP-  
PING  
OVER  
HERE?

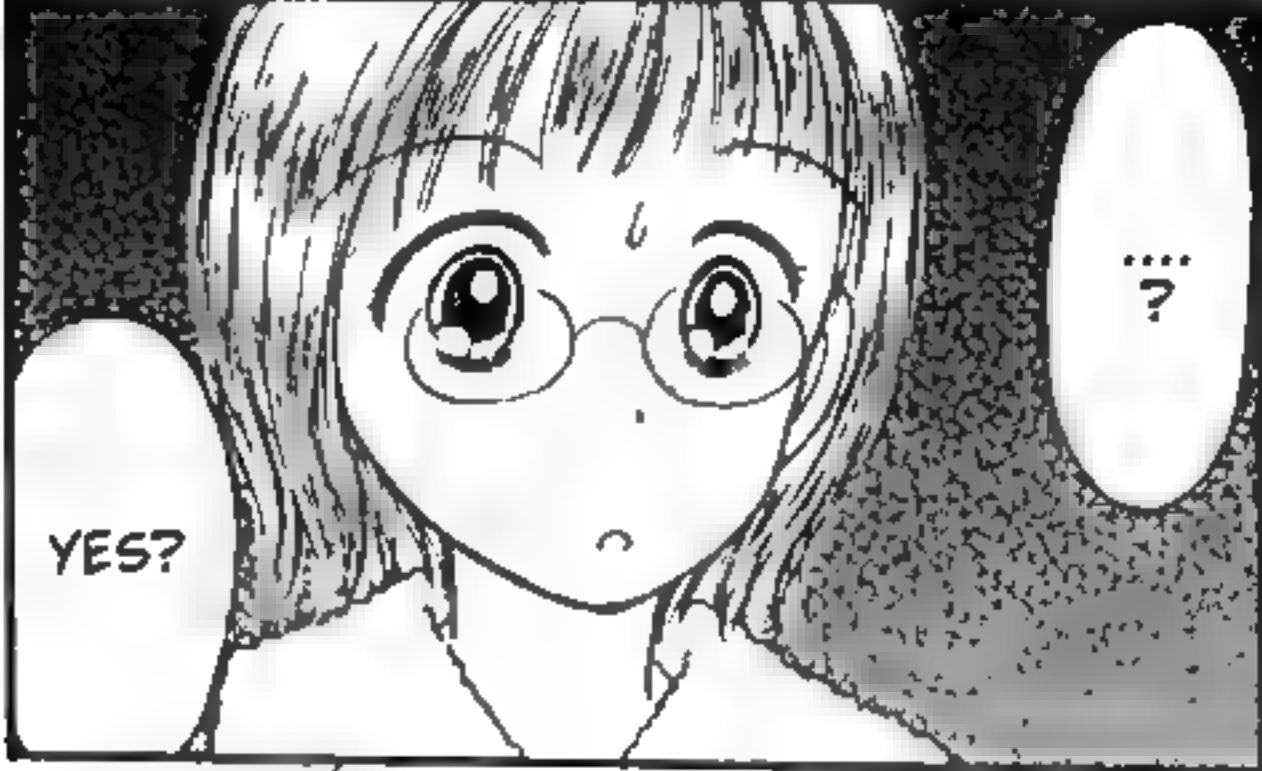
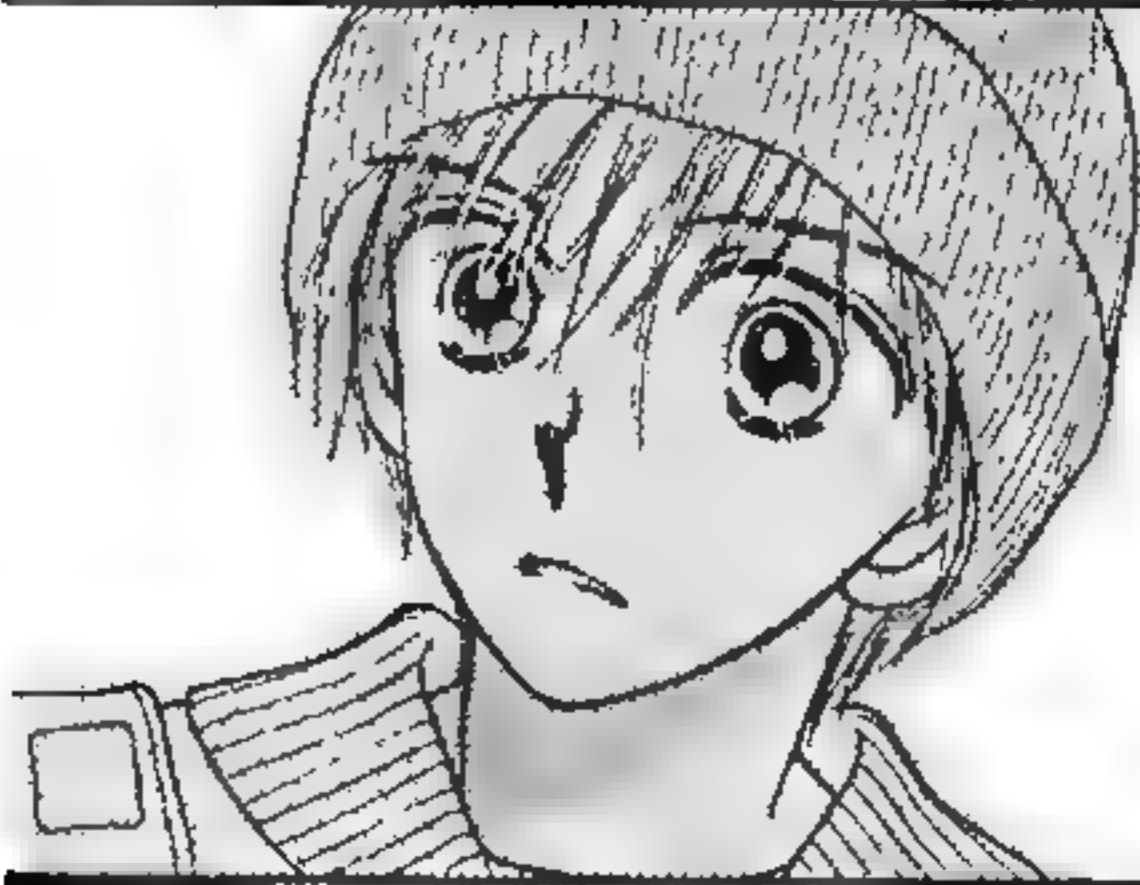
YUMI-  
CHAN,

AND  
MY  
REWARD  
IS

AH,  
NO,  
ANOTHER  
PERSON  
WILL BE  
COMING  
SOON.

TABLE  
FOR  
ONE?







After all,

if you're not one  
of the chosen few

There's no chance  
to be saved, ending  
in the floodwaters.

That  
way  
that  
that



My ultimate  
to speak freely

From the  
myself to

W 200

That I never see  
and again



KOUTA  
!!

That's the  
the end

That's the  
the end

That's the  
the end

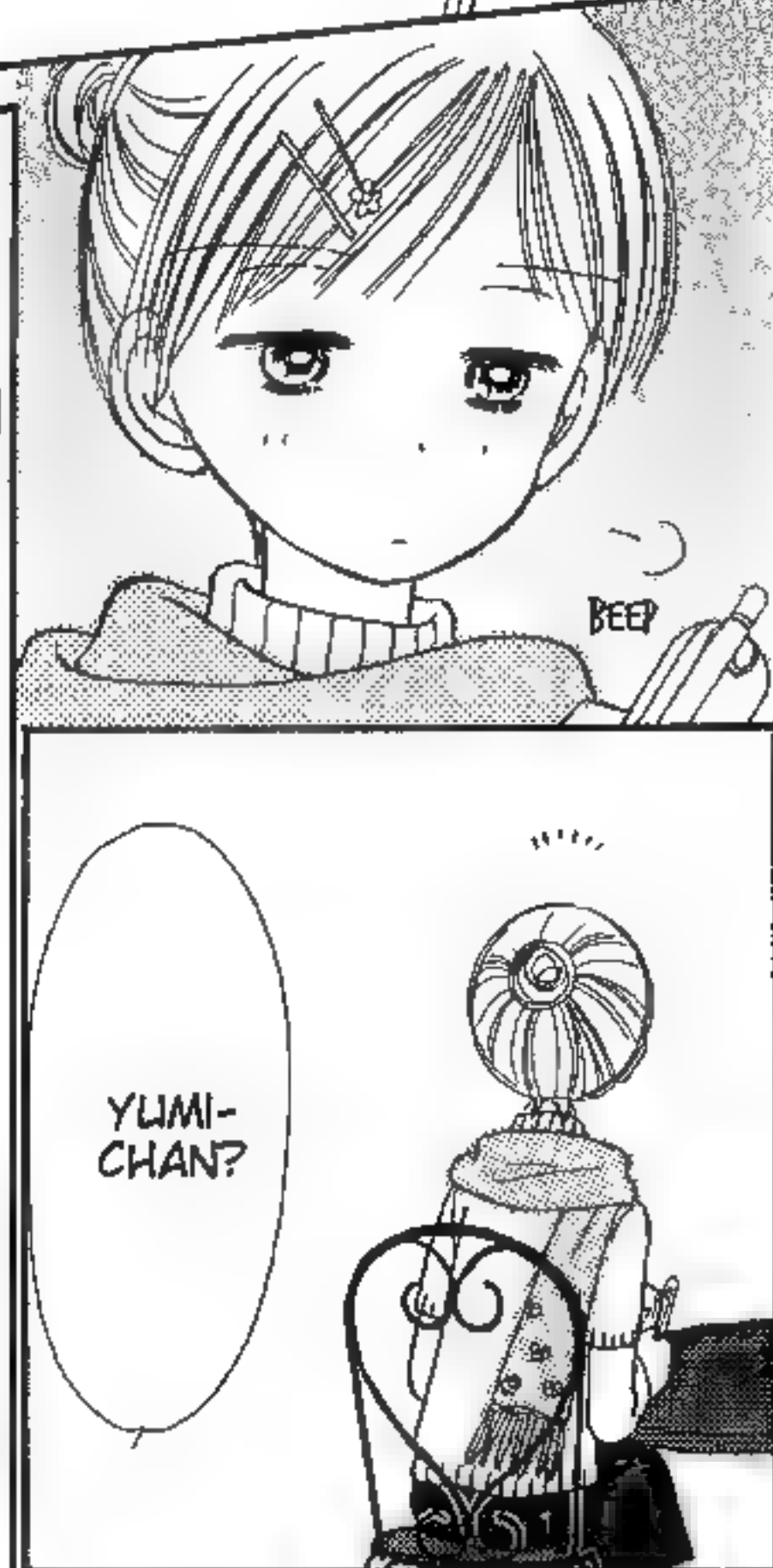
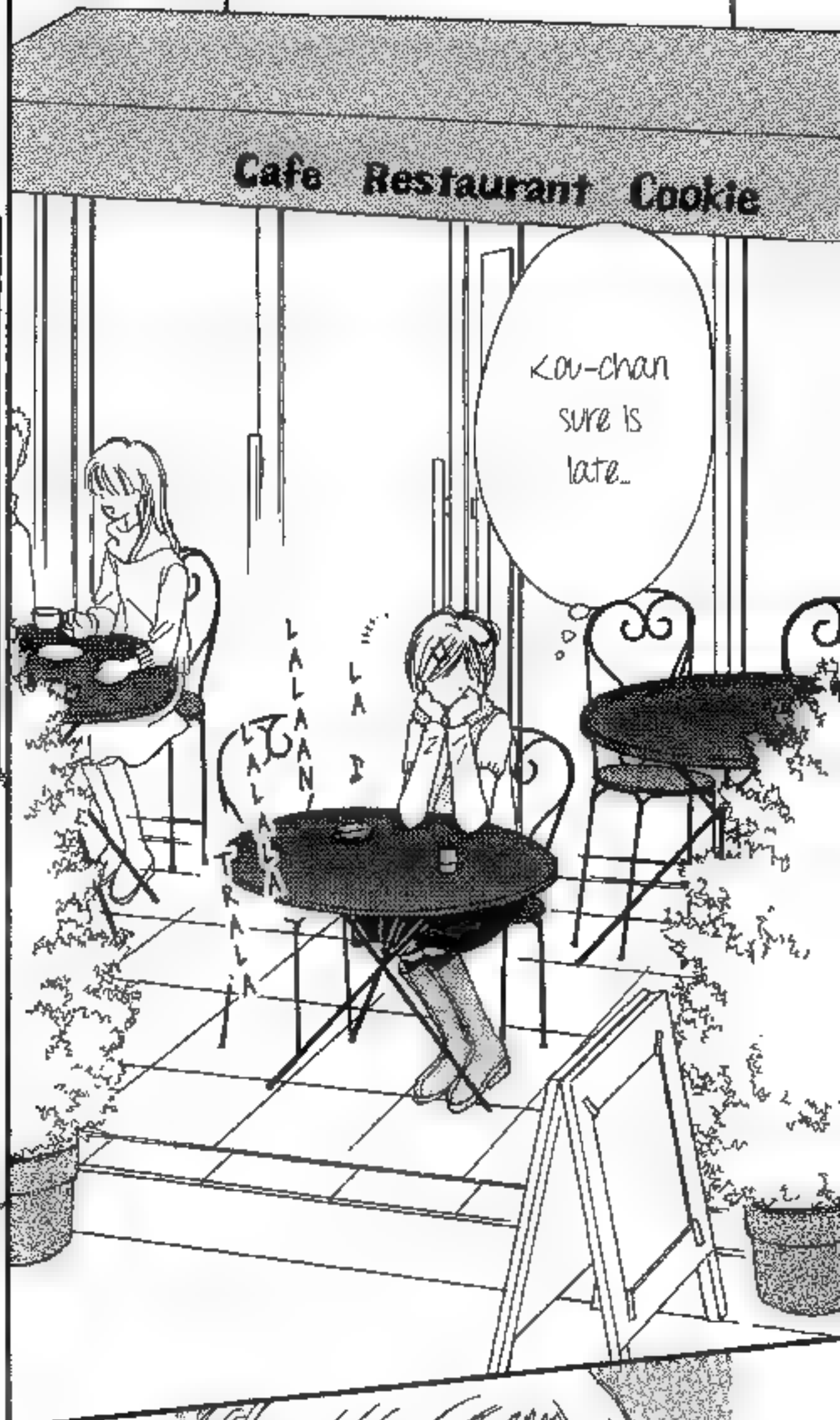
That's the  
the end

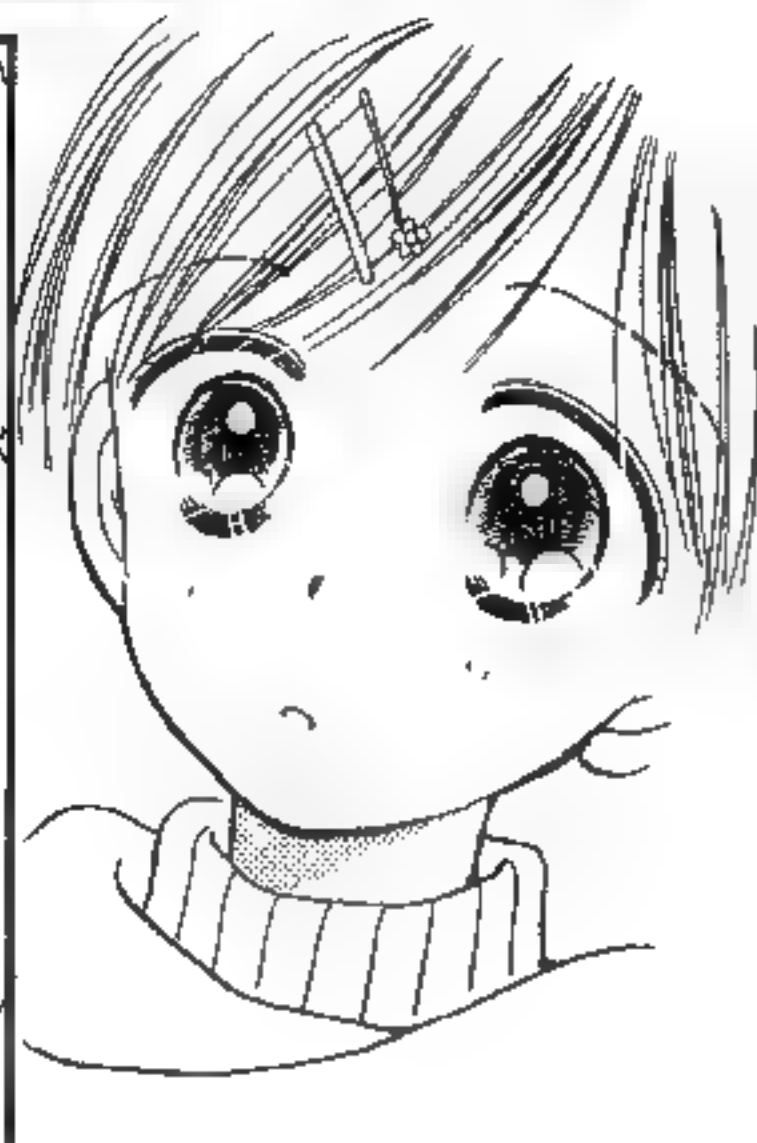
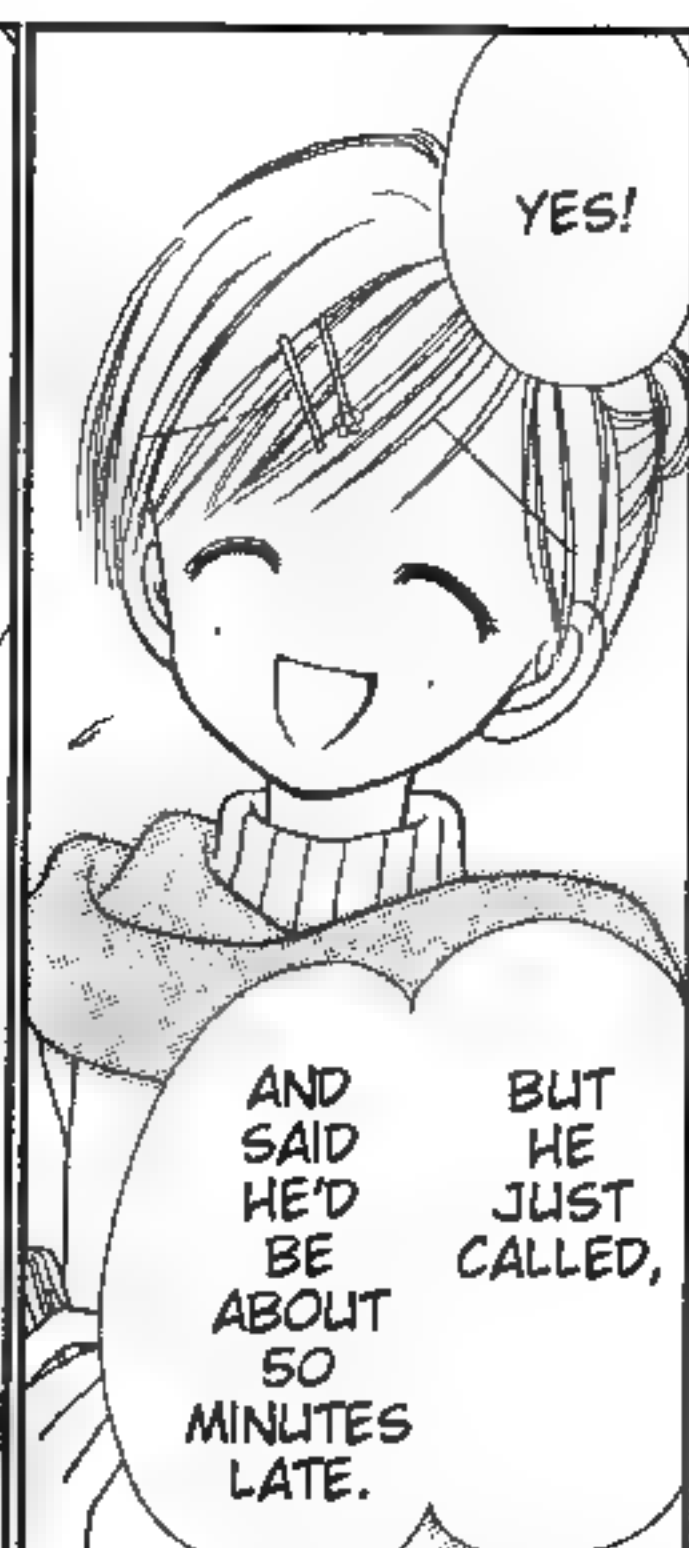
That's the  
the end



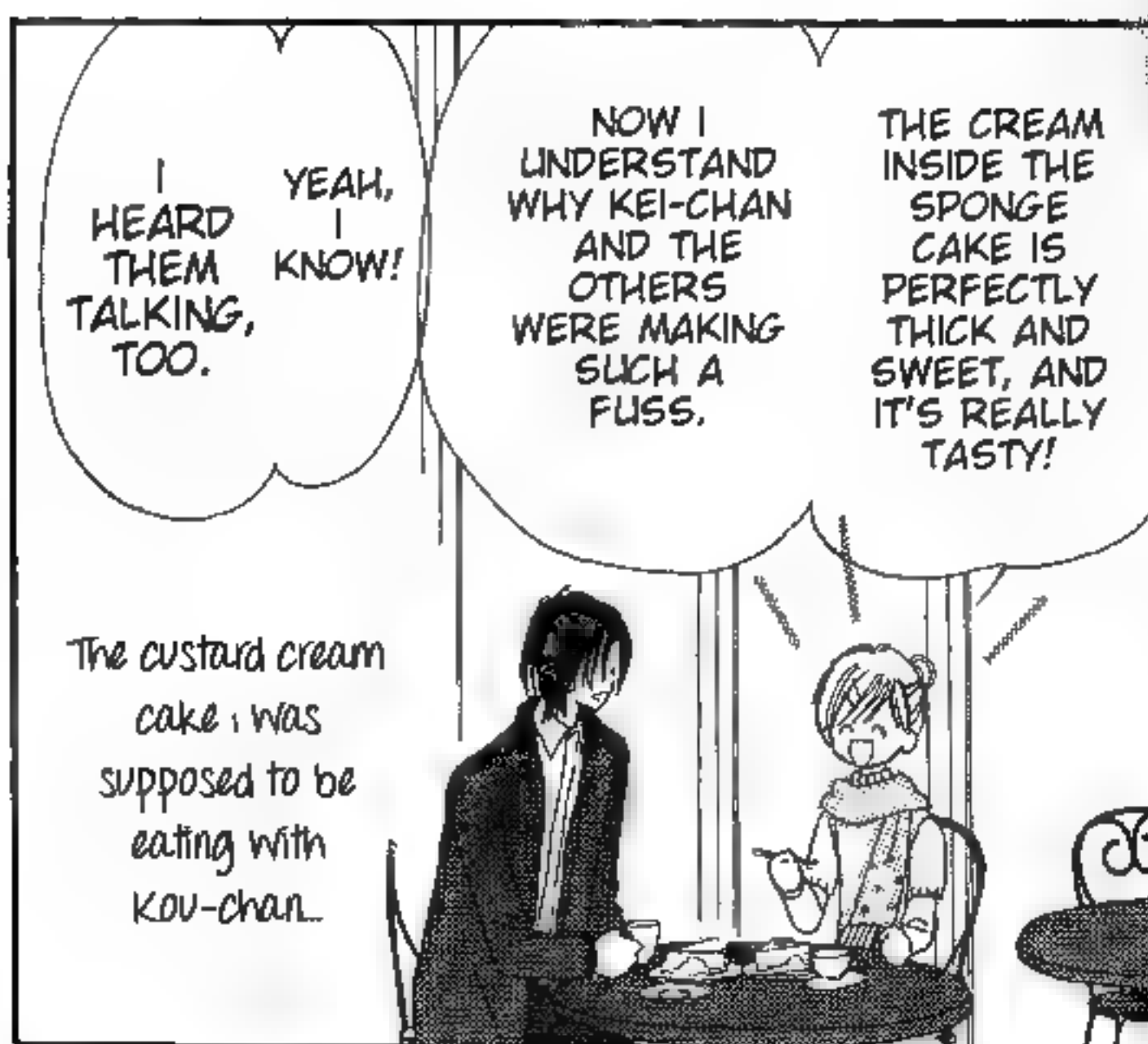














WITHOUT  
YOUR  
VOICE.

IT  
WASN'T  
GOOD  
ENOUGH,




AND TRIED  
DOING  
STREET  
SHOWS  
WITH  
ANOTHER  
GUY,

I TRIED  
TO CARRY  
ON  
WRITING  
SONGS  
ALONE,

....  
SINCE  
THEN,

TRIED  
VARIOUS  
THINGS,  
BUT...



THERE WERE  
A LOT OF  
PROBLEMS,  
BUT...

AND  
I COULD  
SENSE  
A GAP  
IN OUR  
MUSICAL  
SENSI-  
BILITIES.

THERE  
WERE  
TIMES I  
COULDN'T  
GO ALONG  
WITH YOUR  
SELFISH-  
NESS,

OF  
COURSE



I NEED YOU  
FOR MY  
MUSIC,  
AFTER ALL.

MADE A  
WONDERFUL  
BALANCE.  
THAT'S  
WHAT I  
REALIZED.

OUR  
TWO  
SOUNDS

BUT  
DUE TO  
THAT  
INSTA-  
BILITY,





I JUST  
SAID I  
WANTED  
TO THINK  
ABOUT IT  
FOR A BIT.

I  
DIDN'T  
SAY  
THAT

YOU'RE  
THE ONE  
WHO CAME  
TO ME  
SAYING  
YOU WANTED  
TO BREAK  
UP OUR  
DUO,  
AFTER ALL.

AND WHAT  
I CONCLUDED  
AFTER  
THINKING  
ABOUT IT,  
IS WHAT  
I JUST  
TOLD YOU.



IT'S  
NO  
USE.

NEW



IT'S  
A  
LITTLE  
LATE,  
TO BE  
SAYING  
SUCH  
SELFISH  
THINGS.



I DIDN'T  
WANT  
TO BE  
YOUR  
PARTNER  
ANYMORE.

I DIDN'T

THIS  
SONG

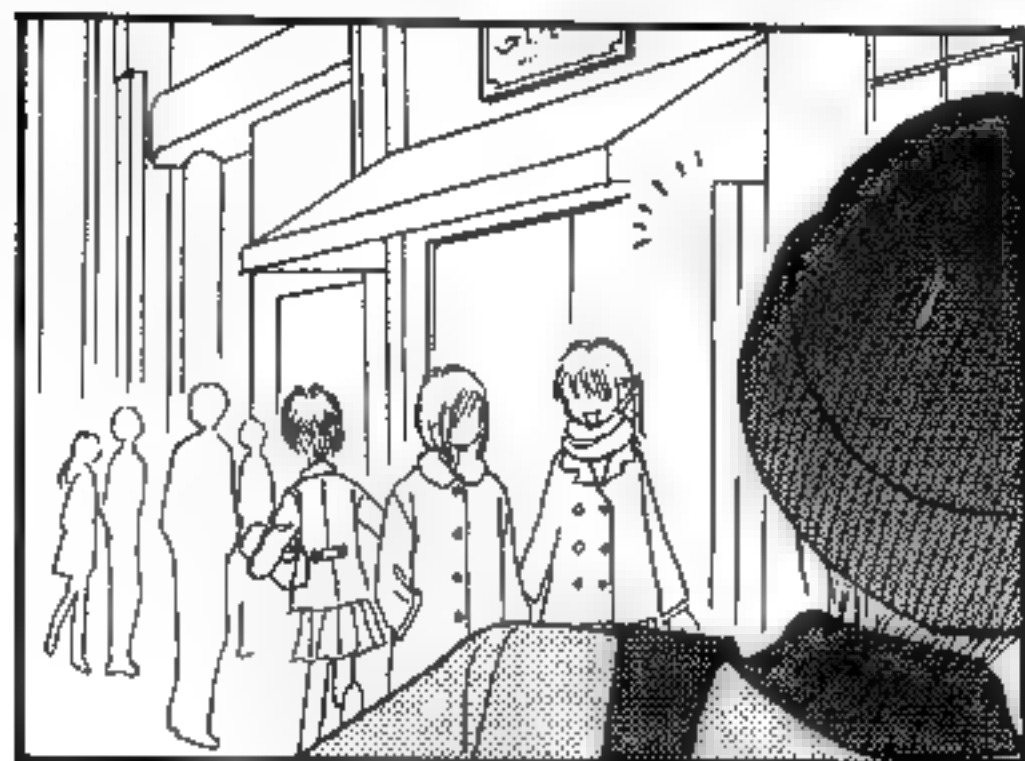
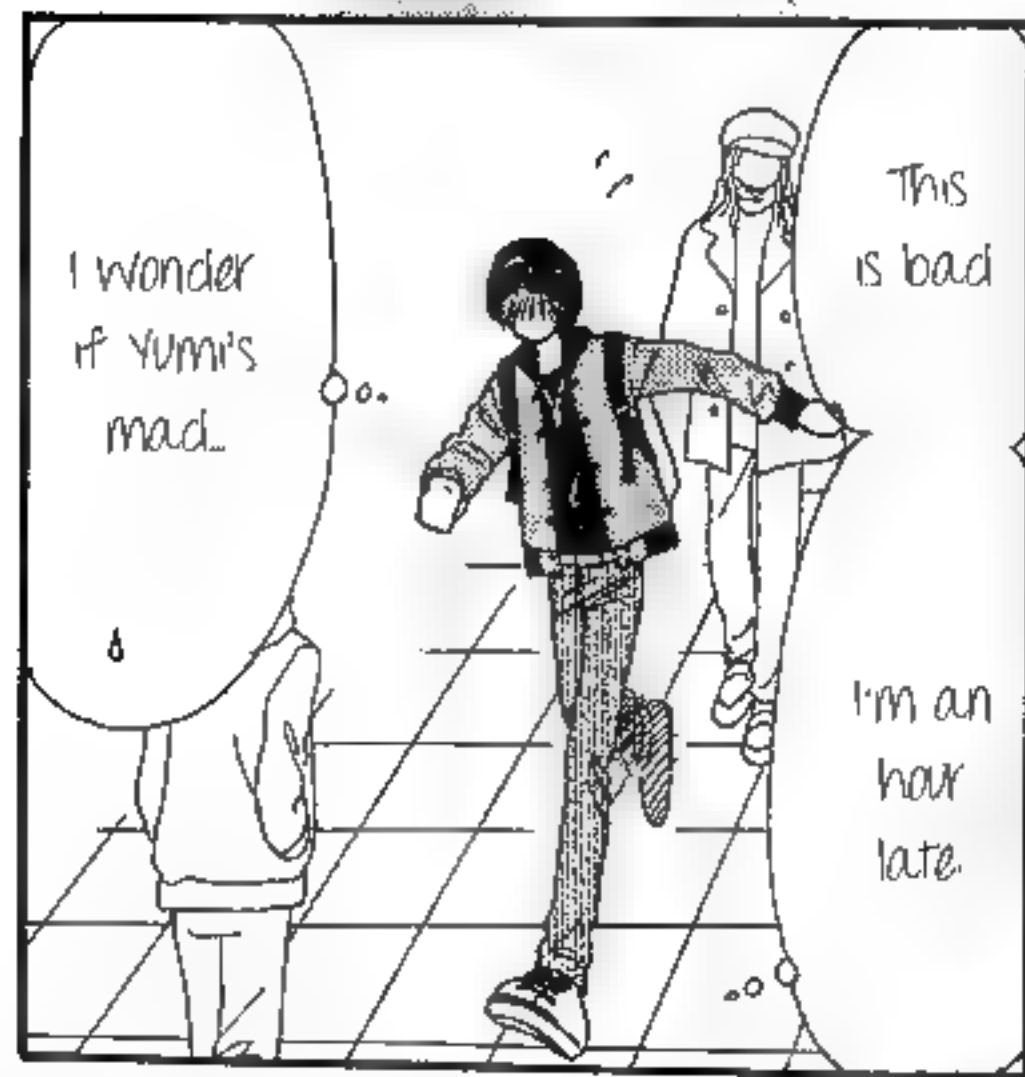
THE  
ALL

♪ ♪

Note: Yuming is a nickname for singer Matsutaya Yumi. The song is "Mamotte Agetai".









Noa!!





HE  
FINALLY  
CAME.

AH!

IT'S  
KOU-  
CHAN!!

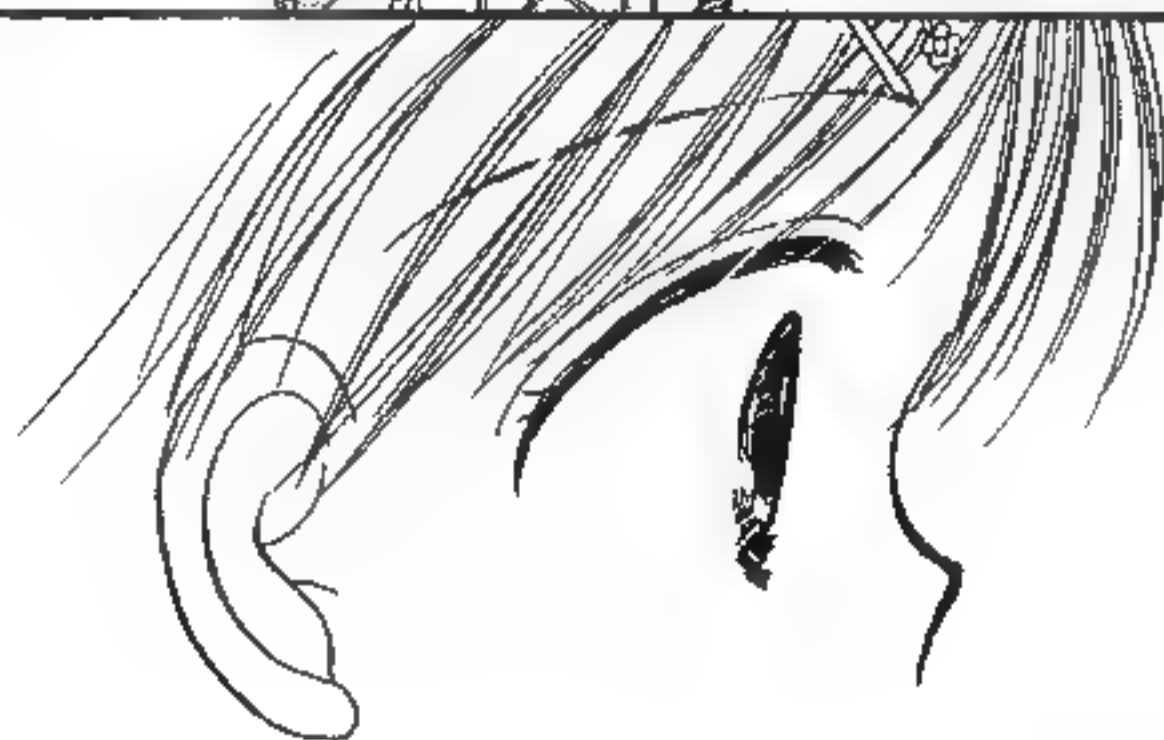


It's  
definitely  
her!!

This time  
there's no  
mistake!!

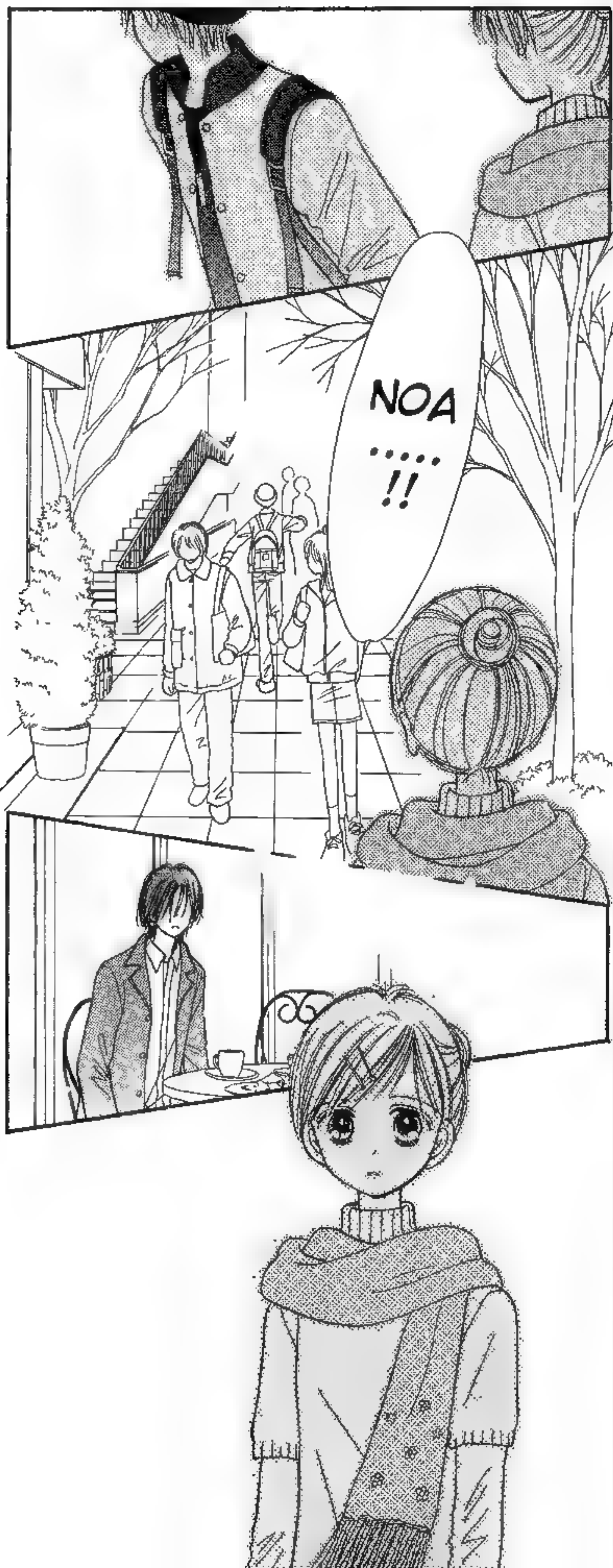


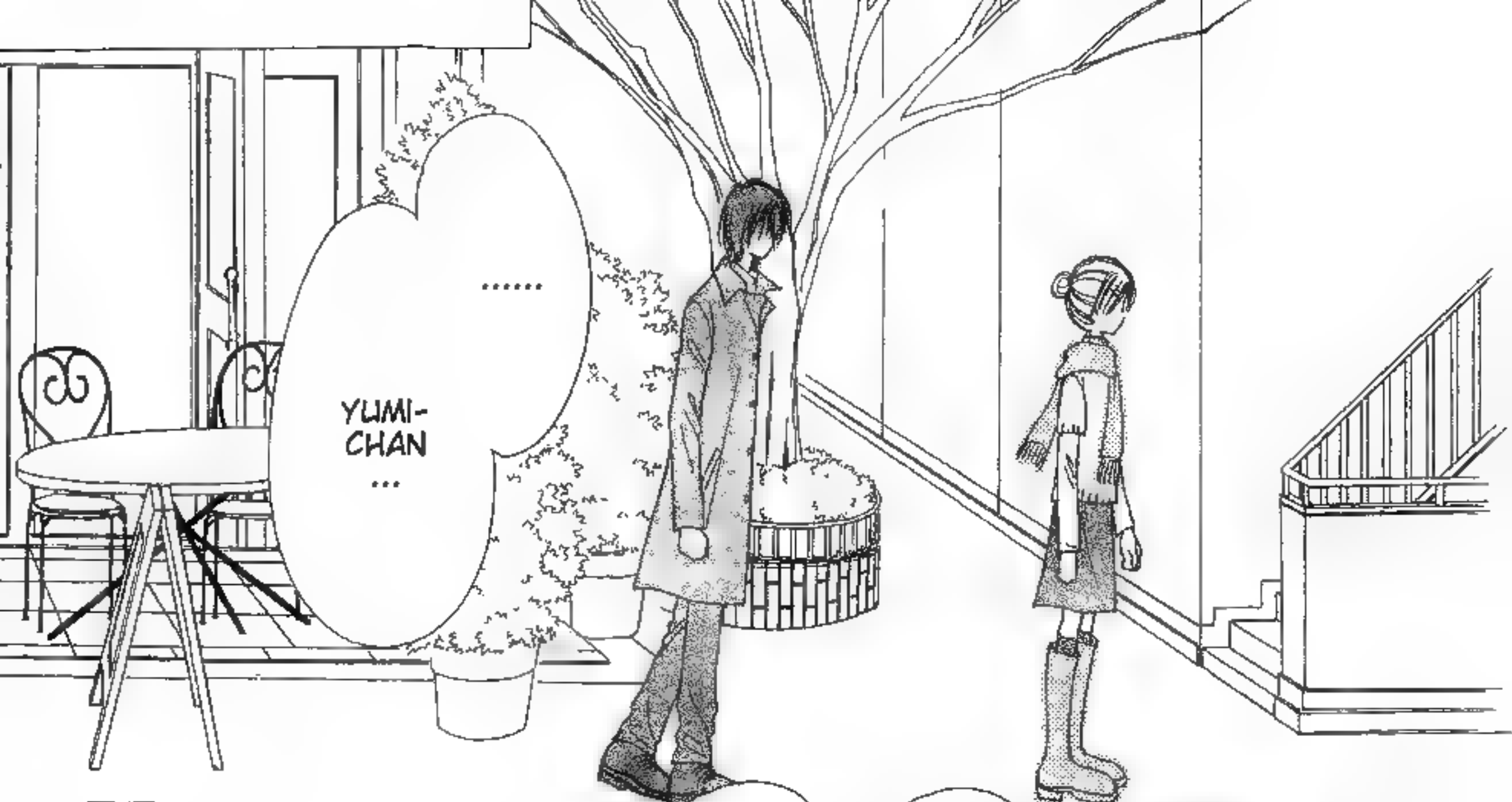
NOA  
!!











I ...

THAT'S FINE!! ...

ALREADY KIND OF

THOUGHT SO!!



KOUTA WAS WITH A GIRL ...

I... SAW IT BEFORE.



I'M SORRY ...

I WASN'T SURE IF I SHOULD SAY ANY-THING, BUT...



AND I DON'T KNOW IF THIS MARRIED LIFE IS OKAY...

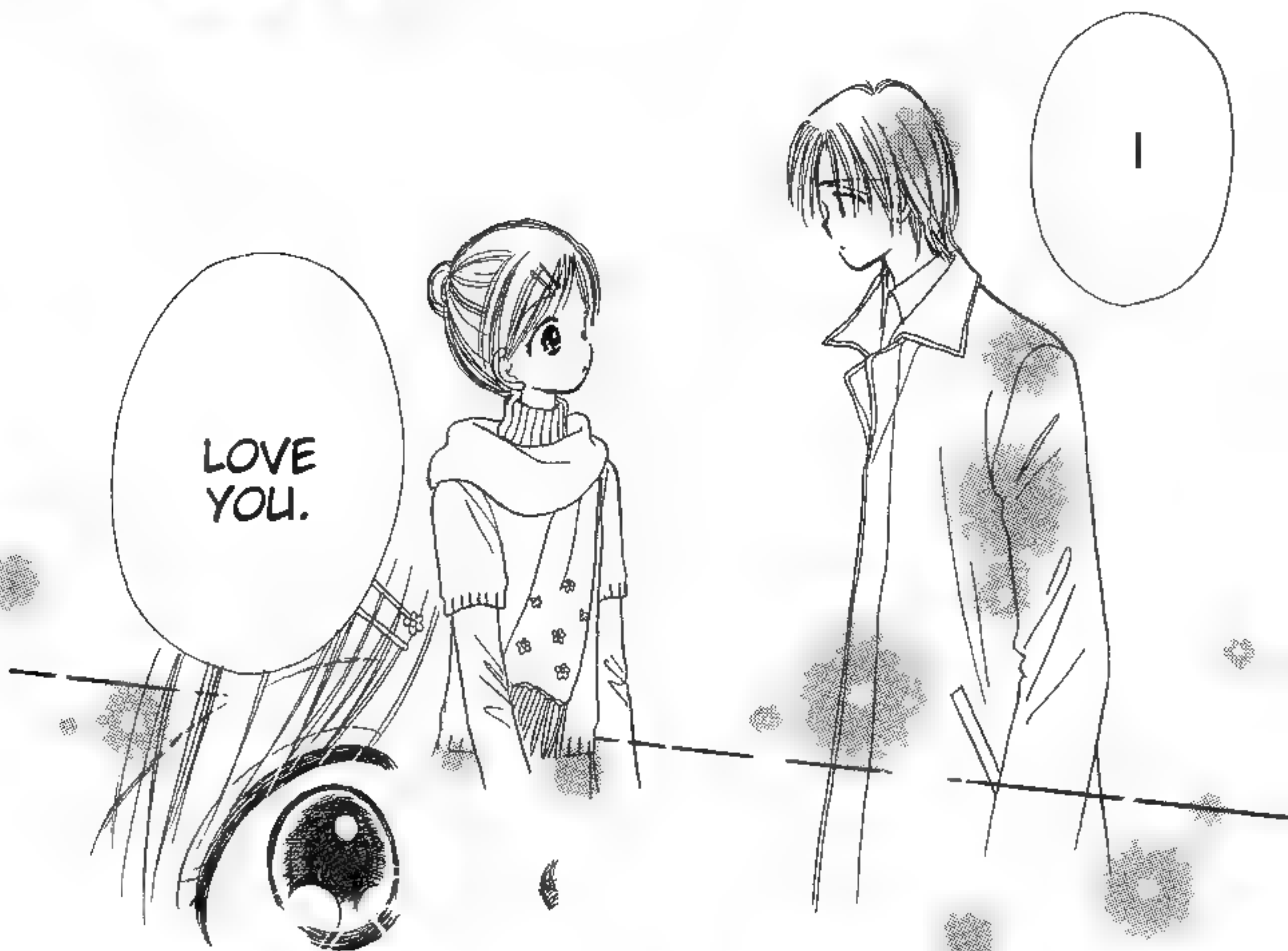
KOU-CHAN RUNS AWAY AS SOON AS ANY-THING TROUBLE-SOME COMES UP,

WHETHER IT'S OKAY TO GO ON LIKE THIS.

I'M NOT REALLY SURE MY-SELF ANY-MORE,

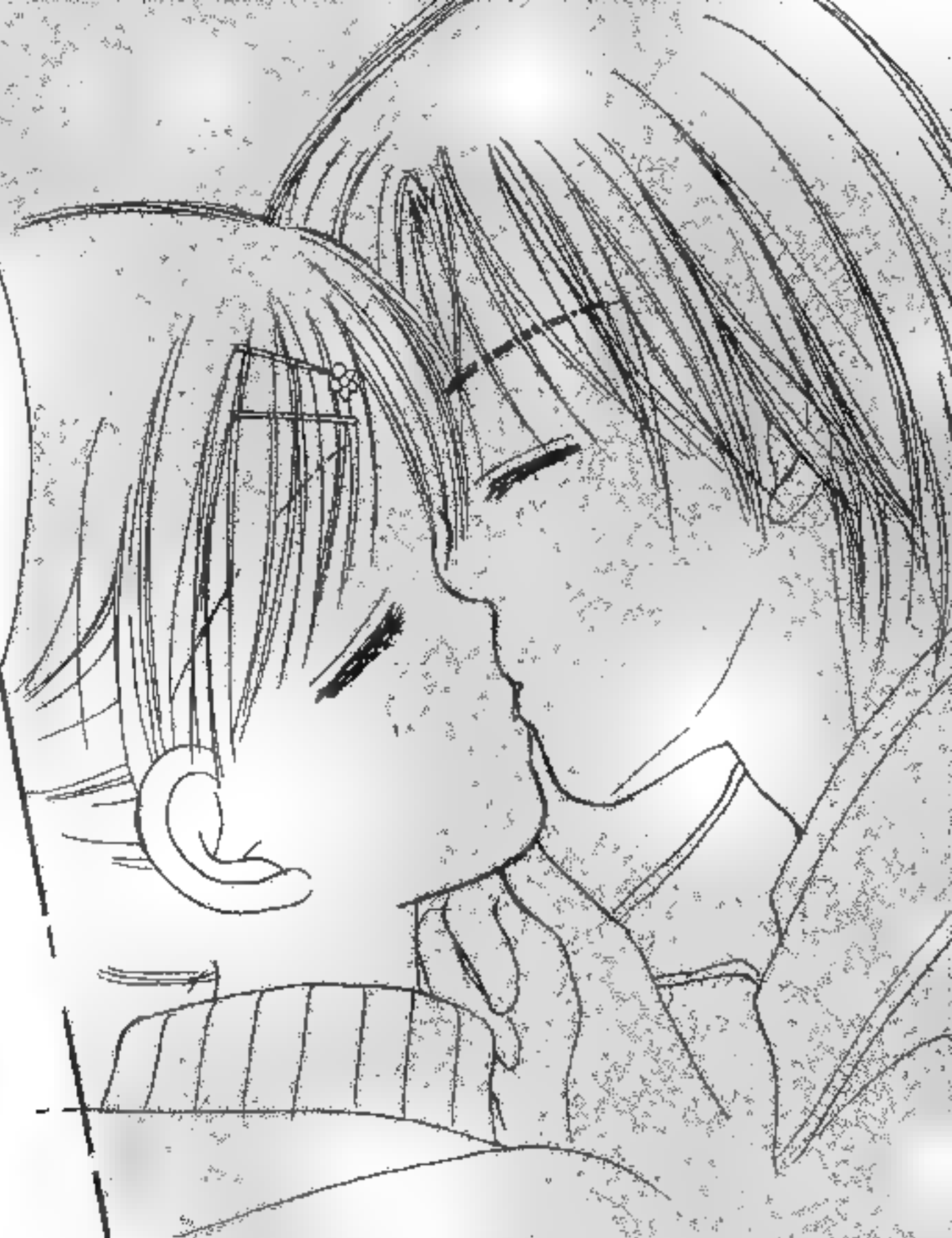
SOME-HOW,











WANT  
TO  
PROTECT  
YOU.

senpai's...

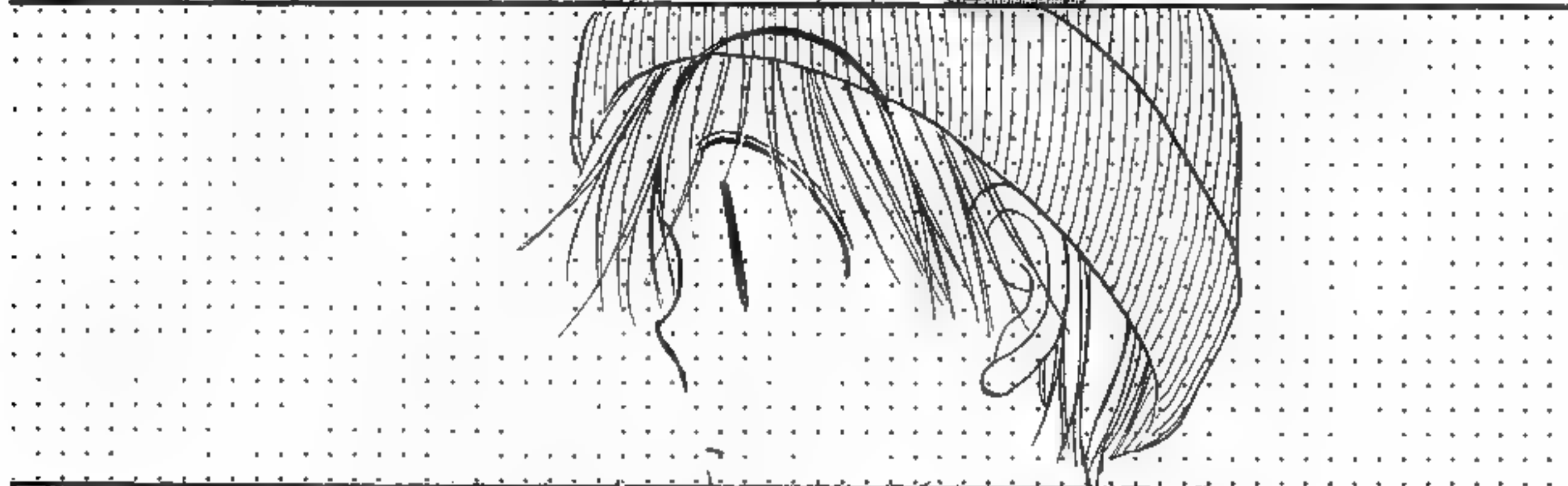
sweet and  
kind kiss

tasted like

cake...











AH,

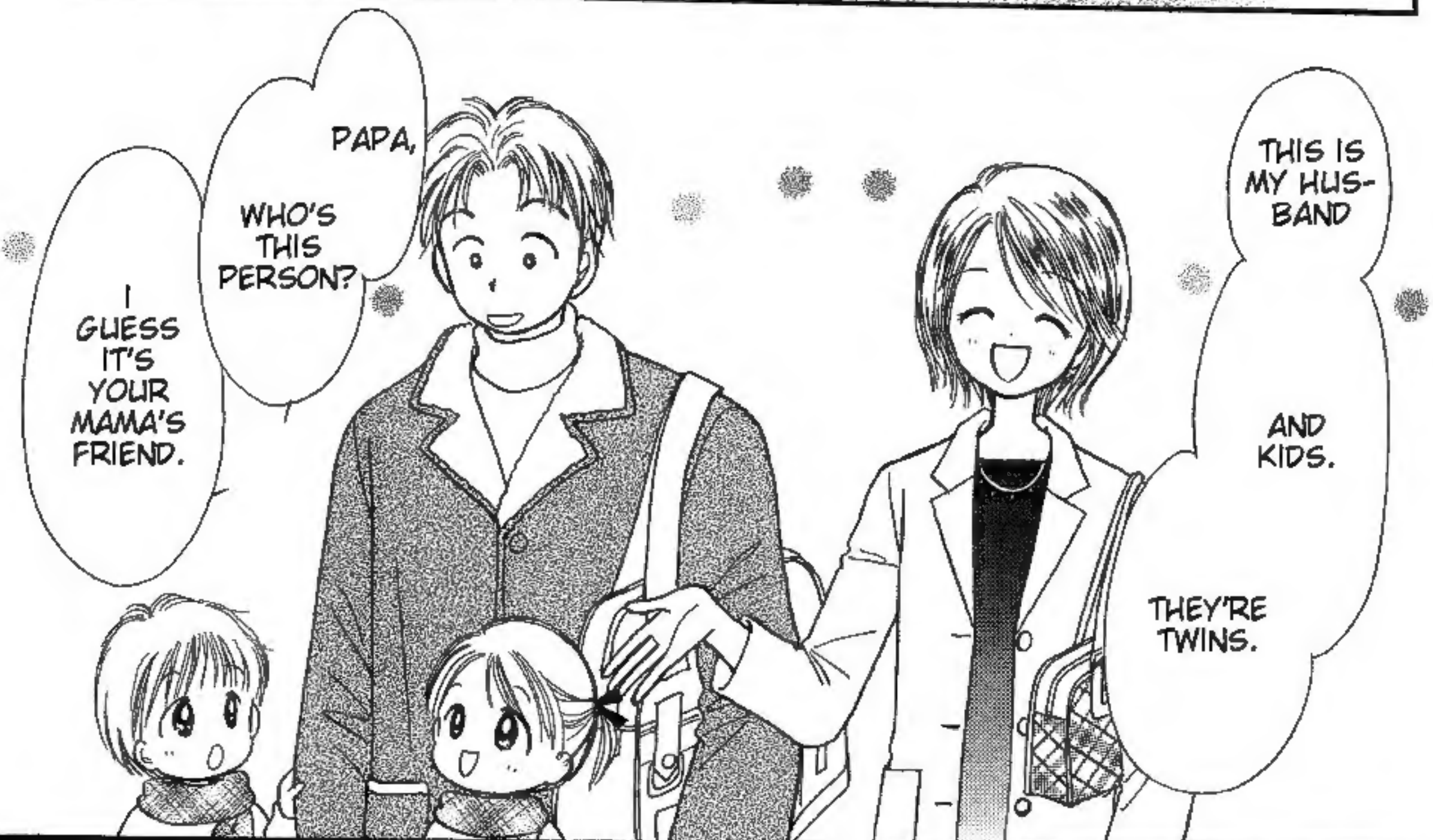
I'LL INTRO-  
DUCE  
YOU.

SORRY,  
MOCHIO-  
KUN.

And why  
did he  
call her  
Mayumi...?

Her  
boyfriend...?

But it  
kinda  
doesn't  
seem  
like  
that...



PAPA,

WHO'S  
THIS  
PERSON?

I  
GUESS  
IT'S  
YOUR  
MAMA'S  
FRIEND.

THIS IS  
MY HUS-  
BAND

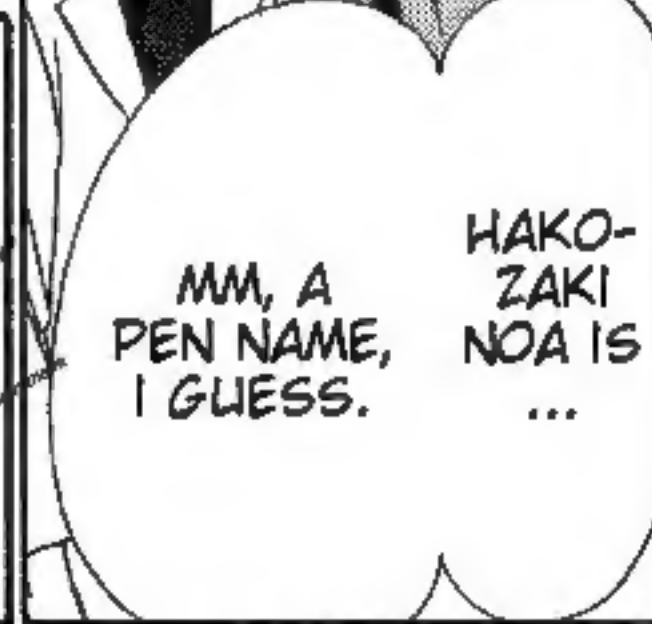
AND  
KIDS.

THEY'RE  
TWIN.

AND  
KIDS

HUS-  
BAND







Who is it  
that I want  
to protect...?

Just what was it  
that I "have to" protect...?



